DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No.: PTO-C-2013-0036]

Request of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for Public Comments: Voluntary Best Practices Study

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comments.

SUMMARY: Today, the Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator (IPEC) released the Administration's Joint Strategic Plan for Intellectual Property Enforcement. The Strategy notes that the Administration encourages the private sector to help reduce intellectual property infringement that occurs online-such as copyright piracy and trademark counterfeiting—by developing and implementing cooperative, voluntary initiatives that are practical, effective and consistent with due process, free speech, privacy of users and competition. The Administration encourages all participants in such voluntary initiatives to continue cooperating with all interested stakeholders to ensure that the initiatives are as effective and transparent as possible. (The 2013 Joint Strategic Plan for Intellectual Property Enforcement is available at http:// www.whitehouse.gov/omb/ intellectualproperty/ipec.)

Consistent with the Administration's policy of building a data-driven government, the Strategy stresses the importance of evaluating the effectiveness of the voluntary initiatives encouraged by the Administration. The Strategy also notes that the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will solicit input from the public and from other parts of the U.S. Government to assist in the evaluation of whether such voluntary initiatives help to reduce infringement.

DATES: To be ensured of consideration, written comments must be received on or before July 22, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted electronically via http://www.regulations.gov, docket number PTO-2013-0036. Submissions should contain the term "Voluntary Best Practices Study." The regulations.gov Web site is a Federal E-Government Web site that allows the public to find, review and submit comments on documents that have published in the

Federal Register and that are open for comment. Submissions filed via the regulations.gov Web site will be available to the public for review and inspection. For this reason, please do not include in your comments information of a confidential nature, such as sensitive personal information or proprietary business information.

If you are unable to provide submissions to regulations.gov, you may contact the Office of Chief Economist at saurabh.vishnubhakat@uspto.gov using the subject line "Voluntary Best Practices Study" or (571) 272–6900 to arrange for an alternate method of transmission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Saurabh Vishnubhakat, Office of Chief Economist at saurabh.vishnubhakat@uspto.gov, or (571) 272–6900.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The USPTO invites input from all interested parties on the processes, data metrics, and methodologies that could be used to assess the effectiveness of cooperative agreements and other voluntary initiatives to reduce infringement. The USPTO additionally welcomes input on the following questions:

- 1. How should "effectiveness" of cooperative voluntary initiatives be defined?
- 2. What type of data would be particularly useful for measuring effectiveness of voluntary initiatives aimed at reducing infringement and what would that data show?
- 3. If the data is not readily available, in what ways could it be obtained?
- 4. Are there particular impediments to measuring effectiveness, at this time or in general, and if so, what are they?
- 5. What mechanisms should be employed to assist in measuring the effectiveness of voluntary initiatives?
- 6. Is there existing data regarding efficacy of particular practices, processes or methodologies for voluntary initiatives, and if so, what is it and what does it show?

Dated: June 14, 2013.

Teresa Stanek Rea,

Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Acting Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Intent To Grant Partially Exclusive Patent License; Jinga-hi, Inc.

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy hereby gives notice of its intent to grant to Jinga-hi, Inc., a revocable, nonassignable, partially exclusive license in the United States to practice the Government-Owned invention described in U.S. Patent No. 8049486: Coupled electric field sensors for DC target electric field detection.

DATES: Anyone wishing to object to the grant of this license must file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any, not later than July 5, 2013

ADDRESSES: Written objections are to be filed with the Office of Research and Technology Applications, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Pacific, Code 72120, 53560 Hull St., Bldg. A33 Room 2531, San Diego, CA 92152–5001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Suh, Office of Research and Technology Applications, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Pacific, Code 72120, 53560 Hull St., Bldg. A33 Room 2531, San Diego, CA 92152–5001, telephone 619–553–5118, email: brian.suh@navv.mil.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR part 404.

Dated: June 13, 2013.

C.K. Chiappetta,

Lieutenant Commander, Office of the Judge Advocate General, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13239-002]

Parker Knoll Hydro, LLC; Notice of Environmental Site Review

Take notice that the following hydroelectric applications have been filed with Commission and are available for public inspection:

- a. Type of Application: New Major License.
 - b. Project No.: 13239.
 - c. Date filed: November 30, 2011.
- d. *Applicant:* Parker Knoll Hydro, LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Parker Knoll Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project.

- f. Location: At Parker Mountain, near the Town of Richfield, Piute County, Utah. The project would occupy 458.7 acres of federal land administered by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Justin Barker, Parker Knoll Hydro, LLC., 975 South State Highway, Logan, UT 84321; (435) 752–2580.
- i. FERC Contact: Matt Buhyoff, matt.buhyoff@ferc.gov, (202) 502–6824.
- j. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.
- k. The proposed project would be a closed-loop pumped storage system, with an initial fill from the existing Otter Creek reservoir. Parker Knoll would include the following new facilities: (1) An approximately 175-feethigh upper main dam with a crest length of approximately 1,650 feet and one saddle dam; (2) an upper reservoir with a storage capacity of approximately 6,780 acre-feet and a surface area of approximately 110 acres; (3) an approximately 100-feet-high lower dam with a crest length of approximately 1,750 feet and two saddle dams; (4) a lower reservoir with storage capacity of approximately 6,760 acre-feet and a surface area of approximately 130 acres; (5) a 2,390-feet-long and 27-feetdiameter headrace tunnel; (6) a 2,200feet-long and 27-feet-diameter vertical shaft; (7) a 1,000-feet-long and 27-feetdiameter steel-lined penstock tunnel; (8) a 7,126-feet-long and 35-feet-diameter tailrace tunnel; (9) a powerhouse containing four variable speed, reversible pump-turbine units with a minimum rating of 250 megawatt (MW); (10) an approximately 585-feet by 340feet substation; (11) a 16-inch diameter and 68,000-feet-long fill pipeline and system; (12) approximately one mile of 345-kV transmission line; and (13) appurtenant facilities. The project would occupy 458.7 acres of federal land and would have an estimated annual generation of 2,630 gigawatt hours.
- l. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

m. Environmental Site Review

The Applicant and FERC staff will conduct a project Environmental Site Review beginning at 8:00 a.m. on July 16, 2013. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at the Richfield City Offices, located at 255 S 100 E in Richfield, Utah. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the site. Fourwheel drive vehicles are recommended. Anyone with questions about the Environmental Site Review should contact Mr. Justin Barker of Parker Knoll Hydro, LLC. at 435–752–2580.

Dated: June 13, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 459-313]

Union Electric Company (Ameren Missouri); Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. *Application Type:* Non-Conforming Structures Report.
- b. *Project No:* 459–313.
- c. *Date Filed:* June 5, 2013, as supplemented June 12, 2013.
- d. *Applicant:* Union Electric Company (Ameren Missouri).
- e. Name of Project: Osage Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: The Osage Hydroelectric Project is located on the Osage River in Benton, Camden, Miller, and Morgan counties, Missouri.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a—825r.
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Jeff Green, Shoreline Supervisor, Ameren Missouri, P.O. Box 993, Lake Ozark, MO 65049, (573) 365–9214.
- i. FERC Contact: Shana High at (202) 502–8674, or email: shana.high@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: July 15, 2013.

All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-459-313) on any comments, motions, or recommendations filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on

that resource agency.

k. Description of Request: As required by the November 10, 2011 Order on Rehearing and Amending Shoreline Management Plan, ordering paragraph (E)(2), Ameren filed its comprehensive report describing encroachments (privately-built non-conforming structures) within the revised project boundary. These encroachments are accessory structures built after March 28, 2008, such as decks, walkways, gazebos, patios, and boathouses, and do not include residential structures. The report does not include structures built where owners had the right to construct them, or those that have been previously permitted by Ameren or its predecessors. The report only addresses unpermitted structures built without authorization from Ameren and without an appropriate property right. Ameren's report indicates that none of the encroachments interfere with project purposes, and therefore no structures will need to be removed.

l. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street NE., Room