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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14574-000]

#### New England Hydropower Company, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On December 18, 2013, the New England Hydropower Company, LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Union Pond Dam Hydroelectric Project (proposed project) to be located on Hockanum River, in the city of Manchester, in Hartford County, Connecticut. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) An existing 33-foot-high, 590-foot-long earth embankment dam with a 360-foot-long concrete spillway; (2) the existing 50-acre Union Pond with a storage capacity of 515 acre-feet at an elevation of about 142.3 feet above mean sea level; (3) a new 6-foot-high, 8-foot-wide hydraulically-powered sluice gate and a new 6-foot-high, 9-foot-wide trashrack with 6-inch bar spacing; (4) a new 35-foot-long, 11.3-foot-diameter concrete intake canal; (5) a new 56-foot-long, 7.7-foot wide Archimedes screw generator unit with an installed capacity of 122 kilowatts; (6) a new 10-foot-high, 12-foot-long, 18-foot-wide concrete powerhouse

containing a new gearbox and electrical controls; (7) a new 90-foot-long, 35-kilovolt above-ground transmission line connecting the powerhouse to Connecticut Light and Power's distribution system; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the proposed Union Pond Dam Hydroelectric Project would be about 575 megawatt-hours. The existing Union Pond Dam and adjacent property are owned by the city of Manchester.

*Applicant Contact:* Mr. Michael C. Kerr, New England Hydropower Company, LLC, P.O. Box 5524, Beverly Farms, Massachusetts 01915; phone: (978) 360-2547.

*FERC Contact:* John Ramer; phone: (202) 502-8969.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-14574-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14574) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CD14-11-000]

#### Brigham City Corporation; Notice of Preliminary Determination of a Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene

On December 30, 2013, Brigham City Corporation (Brigham) filed a notice of intent to construct a qualifying conduit hydropower facility, pursuant to section 30 of the Federal Power Act, as amended by section 4 of the Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2013 (HREA). The 800-kW Box Elder Power Plant Upgrade Project would utilize Brigham's existing 30-inch and 24-inch-diameter water supply distribution line. The project would be located in Box Elder County, Utah.

*Applicant Contact:* Dave Burnett, Brigham City, Utah, 20 North Main, Brigham, UT 84302 Phone No. (435) 734-6623.

*FERC Contact:* Robert Bell, Phone No. (202) 502-6062, email: [robert.bell@ferc.gov](mailto:robert.bell@ferc.gov).

*Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility Description:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) A small segment of existing 24-inch-diameter pipe feeding into a new 20-inch-diameter intake pipe; (2) an existing bifurcation pipe to bypass the powerhouse; (3) an existing powerhouse containing one new 800-kilowatt generating unit, which will replace an existing 575-kW unit; (4) an existing 23-foot-long, 4-foot-wide tailrace which discharges into an existing 36-inch-diameter pipe; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generating capacity of 4,300 megawatt-hours.

A qualifying conduit hydropower facility is one that is determined or deemed to meet all of the criteria shown in the table below.

TABLE 1—CRITERIA FOR QUALIFYING CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY

| Statutory provision                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Satisfies (Y/N) |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| FPA 30(a)(3)(A), as amended by HREA. | The conduit the facility uses is a tunnel, canal, pipeline, aqueduct, flume, ditch, or similar manmade water conveyance that is operated for the distribution of water for agricultural, municipal, or industrial consumption and not primarily for the generation of electricity. | Y               |

TABLE 1—CRITERIA FOR QUALIFYING CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY—Continued

| Statutory provision                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                               | Satisfies (Y/N) |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(i), as amended by HREA.   | The facility is constructed, operated, or maintained for the generation of electric power and uses for such generation only the hydroelectric potential of a non-federally owned conduit. | Y               |
| FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(ii), as amended by HREA.  | The facility has an installed capacity that does not exceed 5 megawatts .....                                                                                                             | Y               |
| FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(iii), as amended by HREA. | On or before August 9, 2013, the facility is not licensed, or exempted from the licensing requirements of Part I of the FPA.                                                              | Y               |

*Preliminary Determination:* Based upon the above criteria, Commission staff preliminarily determines that the proposal satisfies the requirements for a qualifying conduit hydropower facility not required to be licensed or exempted from licensing.

*Comments and Motions to Intervene:* Deadline for filing comments contesting whether the facility meets the qualifying criteria is 45 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Deadline for filing motions to intervene is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Anyone may submit comments or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210 and 385.214. Any motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular proceeding.

*Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:* All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the “COMMENTS CONTESTING QUALIFICATION FOR A CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY” or “MOTION TO INTERVENE,” as applicable; (2) state in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) state the name, address, and telephone number of the person filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of sections 385.2001 through 385.2005 of the Commission’s regulations.<sup>1</sup> All comments contesting Commission staff’s preliminary determination that the facility meets the qualifying criteria must set forth their evidentiary basis.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and comments using the Commission’s eFiling system 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

*Locations of Notice of Intent:* Copies of the notice of intent can be obtained directly from the applicant or such copies can be viewed and reproduced at the Commission in its Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The filing may also be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp> using the “eLibrary” link. Enter the docket number (e.g., CD14–11–000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1–866–208–3676 or email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

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Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP14–35–000]

#### Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on December 30, 2013, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., (Southern Star), 4700 State Highway 56, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, filed in Docket No. CP14–35–000, a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission’s regulations

under the Natural Gas Act. Southern Star seeks authorization to relocate, replace, and abandon sections of its 16-inch EK Pipeline, 16-inch ES Pipeline and 26-inch E Pipeline to facilitate the Kansas Department of Transportation’s plan to construct and modify Highway K–10 and various interchanges, collectively known as the South Lawrence Trafficway Project (STL Project) located in Douglas County, Kansas. Southern Star will construct approximately 3.2 miles of new pipeline that will be rerouted around and lowered through the STL Project and tied into existing lines, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the Web 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 at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (866) 208–3676 or TTY, (202) 502–8659.

Any questions regarding this Application should be directed to Phyllis K. Medley, Senior Analyst, Regulatory Compliance, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., 4700 State Highway 56, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, or by calling (270) 852–4653, or by fax (270) 852–5010, or by email [Phyllis.k.medley@sscgp.com](mailto:Phyllis.k.medley@sscgp.com).

Any person may, within 60 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission’s Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention. Any person filing to intervene or the Commission’s staff may, pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission’s Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205) file a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 385.2001–2005 (2013).