DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14672–001]

Lock +™ Hydro Friends Fund III; Notice of Surrender of Preliminary Permit

Take notice that Lock +™ Hydro Friends Fund III, permittee for the proposed Selden Lock and Dam Hydroelectric Project, has requested that its preliminary permit be terminated. The permit was issued on June 3, 2016, and would have expired on May 31, 2019.1 The project would have been located on the Black Warrior River, in Green and Hale Counties, Alabama. The preliminary permit for Project No. 14672 will remain in effect until the close of business, March 8, 2018. If the Commission is closed on this day, then the permit remains in effect until the close of business on the next day in which the Commission is open.2 New applications for this site may not be submitted until after the permit surrender is effective.

Dated: February 6, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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[Project No. 2839–015]

Village of Lyndonville Electric Department; Notice of Technical Meeting

a. Date and Time of Meeting: February 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time.

b. Place: Telephone conference.

c. FERC Contact: Bill Connelly at william.connelly@ferc.gov, or (202) 502–8587.

d. Purpose of Meeting: Commission Staff is hosting a technical meeting to discuss the findings of the Village of Lyndonville Electric Department’s Archeological Resource Assessment and Historic Properties Assessment filed on August 25, 2017 and the concerns about the Project Area of Potential Effect (APE) expressed by the State of Vermont, Division for Historic Preservation, filed October 30, 2017.

e. A summary of the meeting will be prepared and filed in the Commission’s public file for the project.

f. All local, state, and federal agencies, Indian tribes, and other interested parties are invited to participate by phone. Please call Bill Connelly at (202) 502–8587 by February 20, 2018, to RSVP and to receive specific instructions on how to participate.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the EA. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please send your comments so that the Commission receives them in Washington, DC on or before March 8, 2018.

If you sent comments on this project to the Commission before the opening of this docket on October 10, 2017, you will need to file those comments in Docket No. PF18–1–000 to ensure that they are considered as part of this proceeding.

This notice is being sent to the Commission’s current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives should notify their constituents of this planned project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, a pipeline company representative may contact you about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the planned facilities. The company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the Commission approves the project, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings where compensation would be determined in accordance with state law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled “An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?” is available for viewing on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov). This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission’s proceedings.

1 Senators Orrin Hatch and Mike Lee. House Representatives Rob Bishop, Chris Stewart, Mia Love, and John Curtis.

2 154 FERC 62,094 (2016).