

periodic recharge on water quality and aquatic habitat, including associated effects on aquatic organisms, threatened and endangered species, and riparian habitat; (3) the spread of non-native, invasive aquatic and terrestrial species on native species; (4) disturbance of vegetation and suitable habitat for special-status wildlife species, including federally listed species; (5) altered land use and aesthetics; (6) public safety resulting from potential project-related water releases; (7) effects on cultural resources; and (8) changes to local economics, noise/vibrations, and air quality during project construction and operation.

Commission staff will also make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas. Your comments will help Commission staff focus its analysis on issues that may have a significant effect on the human environment.

On June 26, 2025, Commission staff issued a notice of filing of an application for an original license for the project, which invited agencies wishing to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document. No agencies filed requests for cooperating agency status.

The draft and final EIS will present Commission staff's independent analysis of the issues. The draft EIS will be issued for public comment and

circulated for review by all interested parties. Commission staff will consider all timely comments received during the comment period on the draft EIS and revise the document, as necessary, before issuing the final EIS. The draft and final EIS will be available in electronic format in the public record through eLibrary.³ If eSubscribed, you will receive an instant email notification when the environmental document is issued.

Alternatives Under Consideration

As part of our review in the EIS, the Commission will consider a range of reasonable alternatives that are technically and economically feasible and meet the purpose and need for the proposed action. Alternatives that do not meet these requirements will be summarized and dismissed from further consideration in the EIS document. In addition to the proposed action, staff will consider a no-action alternative. We are also considering an alternative to the proposed action that potentially meets the above criteria: the applicant's proposed action with staff modifications, including any mandatory conditions (*i.e.*, the staff alternative with mandatory conditions).

With this notice, we ask commenters to identify other potentially reasonable alternatives for consideration. The alternatives considered may be

expanded based on the comments received, provided they meet the criteria described above.

Schedule for Environmental Review

This Notice of Intent identifies Commission staff's planned schedule for completion of the final EIS for the project, which is based on an issuance of a draft EIS in November 2026, opening a 45-day public comment period. All comments filed will be reviewed by staff and considered in the Commission's final decision on the proceeding.

Issuance of Notice of Availability of the final EIS—July 16, 2027

If a schedule change becomes necessary, an additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies and interested stakeholders are kept informed of the project's progress.

Permits and Authorizations

The table below lists the anticipated permits and authorizations for the project required under federal law. This list may not be all-inclusive and does not preclude any permit or authorization if it is not listed here. Agencies with jurisdiction by law and/or special expertise may formally cooperate in the preparation of the Commission's EIS and may adopt the EIS to satisfy its NEPA responsibilities related to this project.

Agency	Permit or authorization
FERC	Non-Federal Hydropower License.
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit.
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.
Kentucky Heritage Council	Consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection, Division of Water ..	Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification.

Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available on the FERC website at www.ferc.gov, using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, then click on "General Search" and enter the Docket No. P-15249 in the "Docket Number" field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Sarah Salazar, the FERC licensing coordinator for the Lewis Ridge Project, at (202) 502-6863 or Sarah.Salazar@ferc.gov.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1.)

Dated: May 7, 2026.
Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12626-006]

Northern Illinois Hydropower, LLC; Notice of Waiver Period for Water Quality Certification Application

On December 12, 2025, Northern Illinois Hydropower, LLC submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) a copy of its application for a Clean Water Act section 401(a)(1) water quality certification filed with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, in

³For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the *Additional Information* section of this notice this notice.

conjunction with the above captioned project. Pursuant to Section 5.23(b) of the Commission's regulations,¹ we hereby notify the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency of the following:

Date of Receipt of the Certification Request: December 12, 2025.

Reasonable Period of Time to Act on the Certification Request: One year (December 12, 2026).

If the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency fails or refuses to act on the water quality certification request on or before the above date, then the agency certifying authority is deemed waived pursuant to section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1341(a)(1).

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004; FRL-13269-01]

Science Applications International Corporation; Access to Confidential Business Information

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that information submitted to EPA's Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) pursuant to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), including information that may be claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) by the submitter, will be transferred to or accessed by Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), in accordance with the CBI regulations. SAIC has been awarded a contract to perform work in connection with TSCA and access to this information will enable SAIC to fulfill the obligations of the contract.

DATES: Access to the confidential data will occur no sooner than May 19, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For technical information contact: Jeffrey Santacroce, Information Management and Security Division, Office of Mission Critical Operations (7401M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone

number: (202) 564-2818; email address: santacroce.jeffrey@epa.gov.

For general information: The TSCA Assistance Information Service Hotline, Goodwill Vision Enterprises, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (800) 471-7127 or (202) 554-1404; email address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to all who manufacture, process, or distribute industrial chemicals. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action.

B. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID no. EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004. Publicly available docket materials are available electronically through <http://www.regulations.gov>. Additional instructions on commenting and visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

II. What action is the Agency taking?

Under Geospatial, Analytics, Visualization, and Envirofacts Information Technology Support Services (GAVETS) solicitation number 47QFPA24K0008, task 3.3 for data warehousing and task 3.4 for data services and analytics. SAIC will perform work supporting the operations and maintenance of the ChemView web applications and supporting applications. Their tasks will require access to the TSCA CBI LAN and the TSCA program's recordkeeping system, CIS. CIS contains both confidential and public TSCA data and is a primary data source for ChemView.

In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.306(f), EPA has determined that the disclosure of CBI submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA is necessary for SAIC to satisfactorily carry out the work required by the contract. Accordingly, SAIC personnel will be given access to information, including information submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA, some of which may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters that EPA will provide SAIC access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to

TSCA CBI under this contract takes place in accordance with EPA's TSCA CBI Protection Manual and/or any other EPA manual applicable to the protection of TSCA CBI.

Access to TSCA data, including CBI, will continue until May 13, 2026. If the contract is extended, this access will also continue for the duration of the extended contract without further notice. In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.306(f), the contract prohibits disclosure of the information to a third party without prior written approval from the Agency.

SAIC personnel will sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI. Records of information provided to SAIC will be maintained by EPA project officers for this contract. All information supplied to SAIC by EPA for use in connection with this contract will be returned to EPA when SAIC has completed its work.

Dated: May 6, 2026.

Douglas M. Troutman,

Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of a Bank or Bank Holding Company

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (Act) (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire shares of a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the applications are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The public portions of the applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, if any, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank(s) indicated below and at the offices of the Board of Governors. This information may also be obtained on an expedited basis, upon request, by contacting the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank and from the Board's Freedom of Information Office at <https://www.federalreserve.gov/foia/request.htm>. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in paragraph 7 of the Act.

Comments received are subject to public disclosure. In general, comments

¹ 18 CFR 5.23(b).