

recreation and other uses; and (9) cultural resources.

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

The draft and final EIS will present Commission staff's independent analysis of the issues. On August 10, 2021, Commission staff issued a notice of GLHA's intent to file relicense applications for the projects, which also invited agencies wishing to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document. No agencies filed requests for cooperating status. A draft EIS will be issued for public comment and circulated for review by all interested parties. Staff will consider all timely comments received during the comment period on the draft EIS and revise the document, as necessary, before issuing a final EIS. The draft and final EIS will be available in electronic format in the public record through eLibrary.⁶ 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 for each project that are technically and economically feasible and meet the purpose and need for the proposed actions. 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 actions that potentially meets the above criteria: GLHA's proposed action for each project with staff modifications, including any mandatory conditions (*i.e.*, the staff alternative with mandatory conditions).

With this notice, we ask commenters to identify other potential 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

projects, which is based on an issuance of a draft EIS in July 2027, 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 proceedings.

Issuance of Notice of Availability of the final EIS March 31, 2028

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 projects 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 the projects.

Agency	Permit or authorization
FERC	Non-Federal Hydropower License.
National Marine Fisheries Service ..	Authority to Prescribe Fishways under Section 18 of the FPA Consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.
Maine State Historic Preservation Office.	Consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
Maine Department of Environmental Protection.	Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification.

Additional Information

Additional information about the projects is available on the FERC website at www.ferc.gov, using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the Docket No. P-2458 or P-2572, as appropriate, 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, or (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Kristine Sillett, the FERC relicensing coordinator for the Penobscot Mills and Ripogenus Projects, at (202) 502-6575, or kristine.sillett@ferc.gov.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

Dated: October 7, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2535-129]

Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.; Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed

with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2535-129.

c. *Date Filed:* October 27, 2023.

d. *Applicant:* Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. (Dominion Energy).

e. *Name of Project:* Stevens Creek Hydroelectric Project (Stevens Creek Project).

f. *Location:* At the confluence of Stevens Creek and the Savannah River in Edgefield and McCormick Counties, South Carolina, and Columbia County, Georgia. The project occupies approximately 104 acres of federal land administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Amy Bresnahan, Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc., 220 Operation Way, Mail

⁶For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the *Additional Information* section of this notice.

Code A221, Cayce, SC 29033; telephone at (803) 217-9965; email at Amy.Bresnahan@dominionenergy.com.

i. *FERC Contact*: Jeanne Edwards, Project Coordinator, South Branch, Division of Hydropower Licensing, telephone at (202) 502-6181; email at jeanne.edwards@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions*: by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on December 6, 2026; reply comments are due by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 20, 2027.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 10,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy via the U.S. Postal Service to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2535-129.

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 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. This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis.

l. *Project Description*: The project consists of: (1) a 2,400-acre reservoir with a storage capacity of 23,699-acre-feet at a full pond elevation of 187.5 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum 1929 (NGVD 29); (2) a dam consisting of, from the southwestern (Georgia) shore to the northeastern (South Carolina) shore, (a) a 388-foot-long powerhouse intake, integral with the dam, protected by trashracks with 3.75-inch clear bar spacing, (b) a 102.5-foot-long non-overflow section with a top elevation of

198.54 feet NGVD 29, (c) an 85-foot-wide, 165.5-foot-long inoperable concrete gravity navigation lock, with a lock chamber that is 30-feet-wide, 150-foot-long, and has a 29-foot-lift, located between the powerhouse intake and spillway section, (d) a 1,000-foot-long, 5-foot-high flashboard section from the lock to the center of the spillway with a top elevation of 188.5 feet with the flashboards installed, (e) a 1,000 foot-long, 4-foot-high flashboard section from the center of the spillway to the South Carolina abutment with a top elevation of 187.5 feet with the flashboards installed, and (f) a 97-foot-long non-overflow section; (3) a 388-foot-long, 52-foot-wide, 57-foot-high three-story brick powerhouse, integral with the dam, containing eight vertical Francis generating units, each rated at 3,125 horsepower, a total generating capacity of 17.28 megawatts, and a total hydraulic capacity of 8,300 cubic feet per second; (4) generator leads from the powerhouse to a switchyard located approximately 100 feet from the powerhouse; and (5) ancillary equipment.

The project recreation facilities include: (1) the Stevens Creek recreation site with a parking lot with space for six trailer vehicles, a concrete boat launch, three picnic tables, and a restroom; (2) Fury's Ferry recreation site with a concrete boat ramp, two picnic tables, and gravel parking lot for either five trailer vehicles or 11 standard vehicles; (3) Chota Drive recreation site, with bank fishing, non-motorized boat launch access, and gravel parking lot for two vehicles; and (4) Betty's Branch/Riverside Park with a concrete boat ramp, a courtesy dock, a fishing pier, a canoe/kayak launch, two picnic tables, and a parking lot with four accessible spots, and with the adjacent Riverside Park with additional parking and facilities for baseball, softball, tennis, picnicking, and water-related activities.

Dominion Energy proposes to: (1) continue operating the project as a re-regulating project, mitigating the downstream effects of wide-ranging discharges from the upstream U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) J. Strom Thurmond Hydroelectric Project and maintain normal elevation fluctuations between 183.0 feet NGVD and 187.5 feet NGVD, using available storage; (2) continue updating the project operating plan every 5 years in coordination with the Corps; (3) install dissolved oxygen and temperature sensors at existing U.S. Geological Survey gages; (4) provide upstream American eel passage, conduct American eel siting studies, and develop an adaptive management fish passage plan; (5) continue to

conduct annual shoreline surveys and annual funding for fish loss from entrainment; (6) develop an erosion control plan; (7) update the recreation management plan to include the removal of the Chota Drive recreation site from the project; and (8) implement a water quality adaptive management plan and draft historic properties management plan filed with the license application.

m. A copy of the application can be viewed on the Commission's website <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 (P-2535). For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

You may also register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

n. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

o. The applicant must file the following by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on December 6, 2026: (1) a copy of the water quality certification for the state of South Carolina;¹ (2) a copy of the

¹ Because the dam spillway discharge spans the Savannah River and extends into South Carolina

request for certification, including proof of the date on which the certifying agency received the request;² or (3) evidence of a waiver of water quality certification.

p. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on November 6, 2026.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

Dated: October 7, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following Exempt Wholesale Generator filings:

Docket Numbers: EG27-3-000.

Applicants: Kyan Solar, LLC.

Description: Kyan Solar, LLC submits Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5006.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Take notice that the Commission received the following Complaints and Compliance filings in EL Dockets:

Docket Numbers: EL27-3-000.

Applicants: Monongahela Power Company v. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: Complaint of

Monongahela Power Company v. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Filed Date: 10/6/26.

Accession Number: 20261006-5055.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/26/26.

Take notice that the Commission received the following Electric Rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER13-908-006.

Applicants: Alabama Power Company.

Description: Compliance filing: Compliance Filing-Correct Southern Companies' Attach K eTariff Record Metadata to be effective 1/1/2015.

waters, Dominion Energy must also obtain a water quality certification or waiver from South Carolina. See Order of Reconsideration, *City of Augusta*, 109 FERC ¶ 61,210 (2004); *Cent. Vt. Pub. Serv. Corp.*, 85 FERC ¶ 61410 (1998).

² On September 2, 2025, Dominion Energy applied to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources (Georgia DNR) for a water quality certification, which Georgia DNR received on September 3, 2025. On December 10, 2025, Georgia DNR issued a water quality certification for the Stevens Creek Project. See Dominion Energy's September 24, 2026 filing at 4.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5053.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER26-3364-001.

Applicants: Pierpont Energy Prepay 9, LLC.

Description: Tariff Amendment: PEP 9 Response to Deficiency Letter and Tariff Amendment to be effective 12/5/2026.

Filed Date: 10/6/26.

Accession Number: 20261006-5164.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/27/26.

Docket Numbers: ER26-3365-001.

Applicants: Pierpont Energy Prepay 10, LLC.

Description: Tariff Amendment: PEP 10 Response to Deficiency Letter and Tariff Amendment to be effective 12/5/2026.

Filed Date: 10/6/26.

Accession Number: 20261006-5168.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/27/26.

Docket Numbers: R26-3554-001.

Applicants: Exsocert LLC.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Response to October 7, 2026 Deficiency Letter to be effective 8/19/2026.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5047.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER26-3625-001.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Amended Filing—Revisions for SPP Generating Facilities Modeling Requirements to be effective 10/26/2026.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5143.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER26-3696-001.

Applicants: Anchor Point Plains, LLC.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Amendment to 1 to be effective 11/2/2026.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5087.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-57-000.

Applicants: Ohio Power Company.

Description: 205(d) Rate Filing: AEPSC submits Facilities Agmt w/ Buckeye—SA No. 1336 to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5018.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-58-000.

Applicants: Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.

Description: 205(d) Rate Filing: SC RTP to SERTP Filing to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5021.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-58-001.

Applicants: Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Attachment K—K-7 Amendment to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5075.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-58-001.

Applicants: Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.

Description: Filing Withdrawal: Withdraw Entire Proceeding Attachment K-7 to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5116.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-59-000.

Applicants: Louisville Gas and Electric Company.

Description: 205(d) Rate Filing: SERTP Enrollment of the South Carolina Regional Transmission Planning Process to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5023.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-60-000.

Applicants: Louisville Gas and Electric Company.

Description: 205(d) Rate Filing: SERTP Revision of SERTP Enrollment Exhibits to Reflect Recent Mergers to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5026.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-61-000.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: 205(d) Rate Filing: Revisions to Clarify Outage Documentation References to be effective 12/7/2026.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5029.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-62-000.

Applicants: Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.

Description: 205(d) Rate Filing: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC submits tariff filing per 35.13(a)(2)(iii): DEC-DEP SERTP Enrollment SC Regional Transmission Planning Process Sponsors to be effective 1/1/2027.

Filed Date: 10/7/26.

Accession Number: 20261007-5054.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/28/26.

Docket Numbers: ER27-63-000.

Applicants: Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.

Description: 205(d) Rate Filing: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC submits tariff filing per 35.13(a)(2)(iii): SERTP Revision of SERTP Enrollment Exhibits