## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Juneau Hydropower, Inc.

Project No. 13563-003

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING MOTIONS TO INTERVENE AND PROTESTS

(July 31, 2014)

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

a. Type of Application: Major Original License

b. Project No.: 13563-003

c. Date filed: May 29, 2014

d. Applicant: Juneau Hydropower, Inc.

e. Name of Project: Sweetheart Lake Hydroelectric Project

- f. Location: On Sweetheart Lake and Sweetheart Creek in the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska. The project will occupy about 2,058 acres of federal lands located in the Tongass National Forest administered by the United States Forest Service.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791 (a) 825(r)
- h. Applicant Contact: Duff W. Mitchell, Business Manager, Juneau Hydropower, Inc., P.O. Box 22775, Juneau, AK 99802; (907) 789-2775
- i. FERC Contact: John Matkowski at (202) 502-8576, john.matkowski@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file filing motions to intervene and protests using the Commission's eFiling system at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp</a>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online

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Support at <u>FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</u>, (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-13563-003.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures 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, but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.
- 1. The proposed Sweetheart Lake Project would consist of: (1) the existing Sweetheart Lake with a surface area of 1,702 acres and an active storage capacity of 94,069 acre-feet at normal maximum water elevation; (2) a 280-foot-long, 111-foot-high roller-compacted concrete dam, (3) an intake structure with a fish screen; (4) a 9,621-foot-long, 15-foothigh, 15-foot-wide unlined power tunnel conveying flow from the project intake to the penstock; (5) a 1,056-foot-long, 7- to 9-foot-diameter penstock, the initial 896 feet of which is located in the lower power tunnel; (6) a 160-foot-long, 60-foot-wide powerhouse containing three 6.6-megawatt Francis generating units; (7) a 541-foot-long tailrace that will flow into Sweetheart Creek; (8) a 25-foot-long, 5-foot-wide, 4-foot-deep salmon smolt re-entry pool located adjacent to the powerhouse and tailrace; (9) a switchyard adjacent to the powerhouse; (10) an 8.69-mile-long, 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line consisting of buried, submarine, and overhead segments; (11) a 2.8-mile-long, 12.47-kV service line; (12) a 4,400-foot-long access road; (13) marine access facilities including a dock, ramp, and landing site; (14) a caretaker facility near the powerhouse; (15) a shelter facility at the dam site; and (16) appurtenant facilities. The proposed Sweetheart Lake Project would have an average annual generation of 116 gigawatt-hours.
- m. 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 website 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.

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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.

n. Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified intervention deadline date, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified intervention deadline date. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit a development application. A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," or "COMPETING APPLICATION;" (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, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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