

become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. The Respondent's answer and all interventions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. The Respondent's answer, motions to intervene, and protests must be served on the Complainants.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for electronic review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on February 18, 2015.

Dated: January 29, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 1855-048, 1892-028 and 1904-076]

TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

January 30, 2015.

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

- a. *Application Type:* Extension of license term for three projects.
- b. *Project Nos.:* 1855-048, 1892-028, and 1904-076.
- c. *Date Filed:* January 16, 2015.
- d. *Applicant:* TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.
- e. *Name of Projects:* Bellows Falls, Wilder, and Vernon Hydroelectric Projects.

f. *Location:* The three projects are located on the Connecticut River in Windham, Windsor and Orange Counties, Vermont, and Cheshire, Sullivan, and Grafton Counties, New Hampshire.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* John L. Ragonese, FERC License Manager, TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc., 4 Park Street, Suite 402, Concord, NH 03301, (603) 225-5528.

i. *FERC Contact:* B. Peter Yarrington, (202) 502-6129 or peter.yarrington@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests:* March 2, 2015

All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site 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, or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project numbers (P-1855-048, P-1892-028, and P-1904-076) on any comments or motions filed.

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 whose name appears 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. *Description of Application:* The licensee asks the Commission to extend the term of all three project licenses by one year. Such an extension would move the license expiration dates from April 30, 2018 to April 30, 2019. The licensee says the extensions would enable it to complete relicensing studies delayed by the decommissioning of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant

and would enable the licensee to review and incorporate study results into each license application before filing applications with the Commission. According to the licensee, the extensions would help maintain the integrity of the Integrated Licensing Process, benefit relicensing participants during the pre-filing stage of relicensing, and avoid amendments to the final license applications.

l. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number of any of the three projects, excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field (example: P-1855) to access the document. 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. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, and .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments 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 comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (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 commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must

set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by a proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AD15-5-000]

Available Transfer Capability Standards for Wholesale Electric Transmission Services; Supplemental Notice of Workshop on Available Transfer Capability Standards

As announced in a Notice issued on December 30, 2014, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff will hold a workshop on Thursday, March 5, 2015 to discuss standards for calculating Available Transfer Capability (ATC) for wholesale electric transmission services. The workshop will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. It will commence at 8:45 a.m. and conclude at 4:15 p.m. This workshop is free of charge and open to the public. Commission members may participate in the workshop.

The agenda for this workshop is attached.

Those who plan to attend the workshop are encouraged to complete the registration form located at: <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/03-05-15-form.asp>. There is no registration deadline.

Those wishing to participate in the technical sessions should submit nominations no later than close of business on February 6, 2015 online at: <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/03-05-15-speaker-form.asp>.

Transcripts of the workshop will be available for a fee from Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646). Additionally, there will be a free Webcast of the workshop. The Webcast will allow persons to listen to the workshop but not participate. Anyone with Internet access who wants to listen to the workshop can do so by navigating to the Calendar of Events at www.ferc.gov, locating the technical workshop in the Calendar, and clicking

on the Webcast link. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the Webcast and offers the option of listening to the workshop via phone-bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit www.CapitolConnection.org or call 703-993-3100.

While this workshop is not convened for the purpose of discussing specific cases, the workshop may address matters that are at issue in the following pending Commission proceeding: North American Electric Reliability Corporation, Docket No. RM14-7-000.

Commission workshops are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations, please send an email to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 1-866-208-3372 (voice) or 202-502-8659 (TTY), or send a FAX to 202-208-2106 with the required accommodations.

For further information on this workshop, please contact:

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Dated: January 30, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

Available Transfer Capability Standards for Wholesale Electric Transmission Services

Staff-Led Workshop

Docket No.: AD15-5-000; March 5, 2015; Agenda

This workshop is being convened to discuss actions the Commission could take to ensure that transmission providers continue to calculate and post available transfer capability (ATC) in a manner that ensures nondiscriminatory access to wholesale electric transmission services. This workshop is prompted by the filing by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) proposing changes

to its ATC-related reliability standards,¹ and the initiative to replace some of these standards with similarly focused business practice standards to be developed by the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB).²

The workshop will address the consistent calculation and transparency of ATC to ensure continued access to the grid by transmission customers on a nondiscriminatory basis, as articulated in Order No. 890 and other Commission orders.³ In Order No. 890, the Commission required public utilities to work through NERC to develop consistent methodologies for ATC calculation.⁴ In Order No. 693,⁵ the Commission approved several reliability standards related to ATC while also directing NERC to prospectively modify them.⁶ In Order No. 729, the Commission approved six reliability standards that address ATC, making them mandatory and enforceable; concurrently the Commission issued Order No. 676-E, which incorporated by reference in its regulations certain related business practice standards adopted by the Wholesale Electric Quadrant of NAESB.⁷ Subsequently, NERC has proposed to retire six standards and replace them with a single modified standard focused on reliability issues.⁸ At the workshop, Commission staff will seek input on the appropriate mechanisms to ensure the continued transparency and consistency

¹ NERC's proposal is currently pending before the Commission in the rulemaking: *Modeling, Data, and Analysis Reliability Standards*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Docket No. RM14-7-000; 79 FR 36,269 (June 26, 2014).

² See, e.g., the December 18, 2014 status report filed by NAESB in Docket Nos. RM05-5-000 and RM14-7-000.

³ See, e.g., *Preventing Undue Discrimination and Preference in Transmission Service*, Order No. 890, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,241, at P 68, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 890-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,261 (2007), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 890-B, 123 FERC ¶ 61,299 (2008), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 890-C, 126 FERC ¶ 61,228, *order on clarification*, Order No. 890-D, 129 FERC ¶ 61,126 (2009); *Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Calculation of Available Transfer Capability, Capacity Benefit Margins, Transmission Reliability Margins, Total Transfer Capability, and Existing Transmission Commitments and Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System*, Order No. 729, 129 FERC ¶ 61,155 (2009), *order on clarification*, Order No. 729-A, 131 FERC ¶ 61,109 (2010), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 729-B, 132 FERC ¶ 61,027 (2010); et al.

⁴ See Order No. 890 (supra) P 2, P 193-196, etc.

⁵ *Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System*, Order No. 693, 72 FR 16416 (Apr. 4, 2007), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,242, at P 1022 (2007), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 693-A, 120 FERC ¶ 61,053 (2007), P 1013.

⁶ See Order No. 693 (supra).

⁷ 129 FERC ¶ 61,162

⁸ *Modeling, Data, and Analysis Reliability Standards*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 147 FERC ¶ 61,208 (2014).