

**BEFORE THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

Project No. 516

**APPLICATION FOR LICENSE FOR MAJOR PROJECT – EXISTING DAM
SALUDA HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT**

INITIAL STATEMENT

1. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G) applies to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the "Commission") for a new license for the Saluda Hydroelectric Project (the "Project"), as described in the attached exhibits. The project is currently licensed to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company as Project Number 516. SCE&G is requesting a 50-year license as supported by this application.

2. The location of the project is:

State or territory:	South Carolina
Counties:	Richland, Lexington, Newberry, Saluda
Municipalities:	City of Columbia, City of Lexington, City of Newberry, City of Saluda, City of West Columbia
Stream or other body of water:	Saluda River

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4. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina. The Applicant is not claiming preference under Section 7(a) of the Federal Power Act (See 16 U.S.C. § 800(a)).
5. The statutory or regulatory requirements of the state in which the project is located that affect the project, with respect to bed and banks and to the appropriation, diversion, and use of water for power purposes, and with respect to the right to engage in the business of developing, transmitting and distributing power and in any other business necessary to accomplish the purposes of the license under the Federal Power Act, are:
 - a) South Carolina Business Corporation Act
The Applicant is incorporated under the laws of the State of South Carolina [South Carolina Business Corporation Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 33-1-101, et seq (1976)]. It is an electrical utility; and pursuant to its charter and applicable statutes, it is authorized, among other things, to operate and maintain projects of the type for which a new license is hereby requested.
 - b) Utility Facility Siting and Environmental Protection Act
The Utility Facility Siting and Environmental protection Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 56-10-33, et seq (1976), specifically exempts hydroelectric projects licensed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission from the requirement of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. However, Applicant will file for public record and for the information of the South Carolina Public Service Commission, copies of this Application.
6. The name and address of the owner of the Saluda Hydroelectric Project is listed in Item No. 3 above.

7. The following exhibits are made part of this Application:

- Exhibit A – Project Description
- Exhibit B – Project Operations
- Exhibit C – Construction History
- Exhibit D – Statement of Cost and Financing
- Exhibit E – Environmental Report
- Exhibit F – General Design Information
- Exhibit G – Project Boundary Maps
- Exhibit H – Miscellaneous Filing Material
- Exhibit E Appendices - Study Plans and Reports

8. In accordance with Articles § 16.8 and § 4.32 of the Commission's Regulations, this Application for New License is being issued to those individuals listed on the Service List below which includes the names and addresses of the counties in which the project lies, every city and town with a population of 5,000 or more within 15 miles of the project and every Federal facility, every Indian tribe, and every irrigation district that uses any project facility.

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company is not aware of any Indian tribe, or special purpose political subdivision, or other political subdivision, or any irrigation or drainage district or Federal facility, other than those listed below, located in the vicinity of the project or using any of the project facilities.

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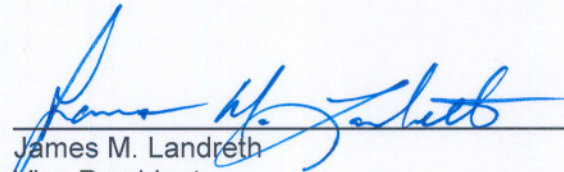
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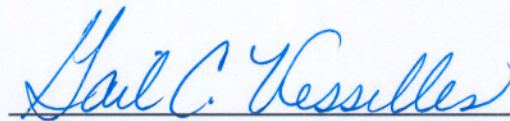
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