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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 6, 2000
Referred to the Committee on Commerce

AN ACT

To extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects in the State of West Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION PROJECT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the time period specified in section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806) that would otherwise apply to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission projects numbered 6901, 6902, and 7307, the Commission may, at the request of the licensee for each project, respectively, and after reasonable notice, in accordance with the good faith, due diligence, and public interest requirements of that section and the Commission's procedures under that section, extend the time period during which the licensee is required to commence the construction of the project for 3 consecutive 2-year periods.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsection (a) takes effect on the date of the expiration of the extension issued by the Commission before the date of the enactment of this Act under section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806).

(c) REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED LICENSE.—If the period required for commencement of construction of any of the projects described in subsection (a) expired before the date of the enactment of this Act—

(1) the Commission shall reinstate the license effective as of the date of its expiration; and

(2) the first extension authorized under subsection (a) shall take effect on the expiration date.

Passed the Senate October 5 (legislative day, September 22), 2000.

Attest: GARY SISCO,

Secretary.