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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. ER01-1557-000 and ER01-1557-001]

Rail Energy of Montana, LLC; Notice of Issuance of Order

August 10, 2001.

Rail Energy of Montana, LLC (Rail Energy) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Rail Energy will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates. Rail Energy also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Rail Energy requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Rail Energy.

On June 22, 2001, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Corporate Applications, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Rail Energy should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request to be heard in opposition within this period, Rail Energy is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of Rail Energy and compatible with the public interest, and is

reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Rail Energy's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is September 10, 2001.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RP01-445-001 and CP97-26-004]

Trunkline LNG Company; Notice of Offer of Settlement

August 10, 2001.

Take notice that on August 1, 2001, pursuant to Rule 602 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rule 602), Trunkline LNG Company (TLNG) tendered for filing an Offer of Settlement (Proposed Settlement) with respect to the proceedings in Docket Nos. RP01-445-000¹ and CP97-26-000.² TLNG states that no aspect of the proceedings

¹ TLNG's filing in Docket No. RP01-445-000 is a rate study justifying its currently effective rates that TLNG filed with the Commission to comply with Ordering Paragraph (D) of the Commission's November 3, 1997 Order Issuing Certificate, Trunkline LNG Company, 81 FERC ¶ 61,147 (1997), as clarified by the Commission's February 27, 1998 Order Denying Rehearing, 82 FERC ¶ 61,198 (1998).

² The proceeding in Docket No. CP97-26-000 resulted in the Commission's issuance of a Certificate under Subpart G of Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations, authorizing TLNG to provide firm and interruptible LNG terminalling service. See: November 3, 1997 Order Issuing Certificate, Trunkline LNG Company, 81 FERC ¶ 61,147 (1997), as clarified by the Commission's February 27, 1998 Order Denying Rehearing, 82 FERC ¶ 61,198 (1998).

affected by the Proposed Settlement are pending before an Administrative Law Judge. TLNG asserts that, in view of this, as provided by Rule 602, its Proposed Settlement should be transmitted by the Office of the Secretary to the Commission. TLNG's filing includes a Stipulation and Agreement, copies of pro forma tariff sheets setting forth the changes proposed to TLNG's currently effective tariff sheets, a separate explanatory statement, and a statement of references to testimony, exhibits, decision, and other matters relevant to the Proposed Settlement.

The Proposed Settlement is sponsored jointly by TLNG and TLNG's only two long-term firm customers—BG LNG Services, Inc. (BG LNG) and Duke Energy LNG Sales, Inc. (Duke LNG). If approved by the Commission, the Proposed Settlement will take effect January 1, 2002 and extend until the year 2022. TLNG states that the Proposed Settlement provides for a substantial reduction in its rates, and that the reduced rates will not be subject to change and will remain in effect until the year 2015.

A copy of the Settlement is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. The Settlement may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

In accordance with Section 385.602(f), initial comments are due by August 21, 2001, and any reply comments are due by August 31, 2001.

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2077]

USGen New England, Inc.; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

August 10, 2001.

On July 29, 1999, USGen New England, Inc., licensee for the Fifteen Mile Falls Project No. 2077, filed an application for a new or subsequent license pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Project No. 2077 is located on the Connecticut River in Grafton and Coos Counties, New

Hampshire and Caledonia and Essex Counties, Vermont.

The license for Project No. 2077 was issued for a period ending July 31, 2001. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year to year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in Section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of Section 15 of the FPA, then, based on Section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to Section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 2077 is issued to USGen New England, Inc. for a period effective August 1, 2001, through July 31, 2002, or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before August 1, 2002, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to Section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that USGen New England, Inc. is authorized to continue operation of the Fifteen Mile Falls Project No. 2077 until such time as the Commission acts on its application for subsequent license.

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EC01-135-000, et al.]

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, et al.: Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

August 9, 2001.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Wisconsin Public Service Corporation

[Docket No. EC01-135-000]

Take notice that on August 2, 2001, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) filed an application under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act for an order authorizing it to extend for six years a lease of a feeder bay and related facilities (designated as Feeder 241) to the Eagle River Light & Water Utility (Eagle River). These facilities are located in and near the Cranberry Substation. The Commission previously approved the base lease agreement in Docket No. EC96-3-000.

WPSC states that copies of this application were served on Eagle River, the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, the Michigan Public Service Commission and Wisconsin Public Power, Inc.

Comment date: August 22, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Ridge Crest Wind Partners, LLC

[Docket No. EG01-276-000]

On August 2, 2001, Ridge Crest Wind Partners, LLC, 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

Ridge Crest Wind Partners, LLC, is a Delaware limited liability company that is building, for ownership and operation, an approximately 30-megawatt wind generation facility, comprised of thirty-three (33) NEG Micon 900 KW wind turbines utilizing fifty-two (52) meter rotor diameters and seventy-two (72) meter hub height tubular towers ("the Facility"). The Facility is located on the Peetz Table Mesa in Logan County, Colorado. Ridge Crest Wind Partners, LLC is engaged directly and exclusively in the business of owning and operating all or part of one or more eligible facilities and selling electric energy at wholesale.

Comment date: August 29, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E

at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

3. Idaho Power Company

[Docket No. ER01-1687-002]

Take notice that on August 2, 2001, Idaho Power Company tendered for filing, under its Market-Based Rates Tariff, amended Rate Schedule Designations as required by Order No. 614 pursuant to the Commission's Letter Order dated May 29, 2001 in the above-captioned docket.

Comment date: August 22, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Somerset Windpower LLC

[Docket No. ER01-2139-001]

Take notice that on August 2, 2001, Somerset Windpower LLC (Somerset) tendered for filing a Revision to Attachment A to Somerset's application for an order authorizing market-based rates under Section 205(a) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824d(a); for granting of certain blanket approvals and for the waiver of certain Commission regulations. Somerset is a limited liability company that proposes to engage in the wholesale sale of electric power in the state of Pennsylvania.

Comment date: August 22, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Sunrise Power Company, LLC

[Docket No. ER01-2217-001]

On August 2, 2001, Sunrise Power Company LLC (Seller) filed an amendment to its electric rate tariff in compliance with the order of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued on July 25, 2001, in the above-captioned docket.

Comment date: August 22, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. PSEG Fossil LLC, PSEG Nuclear LLC, PSEG Energy Resources & Trade LLC

[Docket No. ER01-2462-001]

Take notice that on July 10, 2001, Joint Application of PSEG Fossil LLC, PSEG Nuclear LLC and PSEG Energy Resources & Trade LLC (the Applicants) tendered for filing to clarify that the waivers being sought would pertain to the calendar year 2000 and subsequent years.

Comment date: August 23, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.