

- vegetation and wildlife;
- air quality and noise;
- endangered and threatened species;
- public safety; and
- cumulative impacts.

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the planned project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Although no formal application has been filed, we have already initiated our NEPA review under the Commission's pre-filing process. The purpose of the pre-filing process is to encourage early involvement of interested stakeholders and to identify and resolve issues before the FERC receives an application. As part of our pre-filing review, we have begun to contact some federal and state agencies to discuss their involvement in the scoping process and the preparation of the EA.

The EA will present our independent analysis of the issues. The EA will be available in the public record through eLibrary. We will also publish and distribute the EA to the public for an allotted comment period. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission. To ensure we have the opportunity to consider and address your comments, please carefully follow the instructions in the Public Participation section, beginning on page 2.

With this notice, we are asking agencies with jurisdiction by law and/or special expertise with respect to the environmental issues related to this project to formally cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA.⁴ Agencies that would like to request cooperating agency status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided under the Public Participation section of this notice.

Consultations Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act

In accordance with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's implementing regulations for section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, we are using this notice to initiate consultation with the applicable State Historic Preservation Office(s), and to solicit their views and those of other government agencies, interested Indian tribes, and the public on the project's potential effects on

⁴ The Council on Environmental Quality regulations addressing cooperating agency responsibilities are at Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1501.6.

historic properties.⁵ We will define the project-specific Area of Potential Effects (APE) in consultation with the SHPO(s) as the project develops. On natural gas facility projects, the APE at a minimum encompasses all areas subject to ground disturbance (examples include construction right-of-way, contractor/pipe storage yards, compressor stations, and access roads). Our EA for this project will document our findings on the impacts on historic properties and summarize the status of consultations under section 106.

Environmental Mailing List

The environmental mailing list includes federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American Tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. This list also includes all affected landowners (as defined in the Commission's regulations) who are potential right-of-way grantors, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, or who own homes within certain distances of aboveground facilities, and anyone who submits comments on the project. We will update the environmental mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that we send the information related to this environmental review to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the planned project.

Copies of the EA will be sent to the environmental mailing list for public review and comment. If you would prefer to receive a paper copy of the document instead of the CD version or would like to remove your name from the mailing list, please return the attached Information Request (appendix 3).

Becoming an Intervenor

Once DTE files its application with the Commission, you may want to become an "intervenor" which is an official party to the Commission's proceeding. Intervenor's play a more formal role in the process and are able to file briefs, appear at hearings, and be heard by the courts if they choose to appeal the Commission's final ruling. An intervenor formally participates in the proceeding by filing a request to intervene. Motions to intervene are

⁵ The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation regulations are at Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 800. Those regulations define historic properties as any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

more fully described at <http://www.ferc.gov/resources/guides/how-to/intervene.asp>. Instructions for becoming an intervenor are in the "Document-less Intervention Guide" under the "e-filing" link on the Commission's Web site. Please note that the Commission will not accept requests for intervenor status at this time. You must wait until the Commission receives a formal application for the project.

Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (*i.e.*, PF17-1). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp.

Finally, public sessions or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx along with other related information.

Dated: January 18, 2017.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC17-32-000.

Applicants: American Illuminating Company, LLC.

Description: Supplement to November 14, 2016 Application for Authorization under Section 203 of the FPA of American Illuminating Company, LLC.

Filed Date: 1/13/17.

Accession Number: 20170113-5234.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/17.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER10-2331-062; ER10-2319-053; ER10-2317-053; ER13-1351-035; ER10-2330-060.

Applicants: J.P. Morgan Ventures Energy Corporation, BE CA LLC, BE Alabama LLC, Florida Power Development LLC, Utility Contract Funding, L.L.C.

Description: Non-Material Change in Status of the J.P. Morgan Sellers.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5309.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/7/17.

Docket Numbers: ER10-2984-032.

Applicants: Merrill Lynch Commodities, Inc.

Description: Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Merrill Lynch Commodities, Inc.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5308.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/7/17.

Docket Numbers: ER16-1152-002.

Applicants: Jericho Rise Wind Farm LLC.

Description: Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Jericho Rise Wind Farm LLC.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5307.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/7/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-512-001.

Applicants: Virginia Electric and Power Company.

Description: Compliance filing: Compliance Filing—Informational Filing (Yorktown) to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5262.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/24/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-805-000.

Applicants: Wyoming Colorado Intertie, LLC.

Description: Tariff Cancellation: Cancellation of OATT to be effective 1/18/2017.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5271.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/7/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-806-000.

Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2017-01-17 Changes to Market Monitoring and Mitigation in the PRA to be effective 2/1/2017.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5272.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/7/17.

Take notice that the Commission received the following qualifying facility filings:

Docket Numbers: QF17-538-000.

Applicants: Central CA Fuel Cell 1, LLC.

Description: Form 556 of Central CA Fuel Cell 1, LLC.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5310.

Comments Due: None Applicable.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: January 18, 2017.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC17-62-000.

Applicants: NSTAR Electric Company, Western Massachusetts Electric Company.

Description: Application For Approval of Internal Corporate Reorganization under Section 203 of the FPA of NSTAR Electric Company, et al.

Filed Date: 1/13/17.

Accession Number: 20170113-5237.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/3/17.

Docket Numbers: EC17-63-000.

Applicants: 62SK 8ME LLC, 63SU 8ME LLC, Balko Wind, LLC, Balko Wind Transmission, LLC, North Star Solar PV LLC, Portal Ridge Solar B, LLC,

Portal Ridge Solar C, LLC, Red Horse Wind 2, LLC, Red Horse III, LLC, TPE Alta Luna, LLC.

Description: Application for Authorization of Transaction under Section 203 of the FPA of 62SK 8ME LLC.

Filed Date: 1/13/17.

Accession Number: 20170113-5240.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/3/17.

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

Docket Numbers: EG17-44-000.

Applicants: SolaireHolman 1 LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of SolaireHolman 1 LLC.

Filed Date: 1/13/17.

Accession Number: 20170113-5087.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/3/17.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER16-1983-001.

Applicants: California Independent System Operator Corporation.

Description: Compliance filing: 2013-01-13 Petition Limited Tariff Waiver Delay Implementation RTD LMPM to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 1/13/17.

Accession Number: 20170113-5201.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/20/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-79-002.

Applicants: Portland General Electric Company.

Description: Compliance filing: Combined Order 827 and 828

Amendment Filing to be effective 10/14/2016.

Filed Date: 1/17/17.

Accession Number: 20170117-5033.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/7/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-210-003.

Applicants: Sabine Cogen, LP.

Description: Compliance filing: Compliance Filing to be effective 1/1/2017.

Filed Date: 1/13/17.

Accession Number: 20170113-5168.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/3/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-556-000.

Applicants: Grady Wind Energy Center, LLC.

Description: Supplement to December 15, 2016 Grady Wind Energy Center, LLC tariff filing.

Filed Date: 1/12/17.

Accession Number: 20170112-5142.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/2/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-792-000.

Applicants: Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Filing of Modifications to Agreement to be effective 3/15/2017.