transmission and distribution operators to assess distribution system conditions in real time? Are new systems or approaches needed? Does DER aggregation require separate or additional capabilities and infrastructure for communication and control?

- What processes/protocols do distribution utilities, transmission operators, and DERs or DER aggregators use to coordinate with each other? Are these processes/protocols capable of providing needed real-time communications and coordination? What new processes, resources, and efforts will be required to achieve effective real-time coordination?
- What are the minimum set of specific RTO/ISO operational protocols, performance standards, and market rules that should be adopted now to ensure operational coordination for DER aggregation participating in the RTO/ISO markets? What additional protocols may be important for the future? Should the Commission adopt more prescriptive requirements with respect to coordination than those proposed in the NOPR? If so, what should the Commission require?
- Should distribution utilities be able to override RTO/ISO decisions regarding day-ahead and real-time dispatch of DER aggregations to resolve local distribution reliability issues? If so, should DER aggregations nonetheless be subject to non-deliverability penalties under such circumstances?
- Is it possible for DERs or DER aggregations participating in the RTO/ISO markets to also be used to improve distribution system operations and reliability? If so, please provide examples of how this could be accomplished.
- Can real-time dispatch of aggregated DERs address distribution constraints? If not, can tools be developed to accomplish this?
- Should individual DERs be required to have communications capabilities to comply with control center obligations? What level of communications security should be employed for these communications?
- How might recent and expected technical advancements be used to enhance the coordination of DER aggregations, for example, integrating Energy Management Systems (EMS) and Distribution Management Systems (DMS) for efficient operational coordination?

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EL17-70-000; QF17-935-001; QF17-936-001]

Zeeland Farm Services, Inc.; Notice of Amended Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on February 14, 2018, pursuant to Rule 215 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission),¹ and section 292.203(d)(2) of the Commission's regulations,² Zeeland Farm Services, Inc. (Zeeland or Petitioner) submitted an amendment to its petition for declaratory order, filed on May 3, 2017, requesting that the Commission grant Zeeland limited waiver from the FERC Form 556 filing requirement ³ for two qualifying small power production facilities, as more fully explained in the petition.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in this proceeding must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Petitioner.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at http://www.ferc.gov. To facilitate electronic service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above proceeding are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the website 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 March 7, 2018.

Dated: February 15, 2018.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2804-035]

Goose River Hydro, Inc.; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

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

- a. Type of Application: New minor license
 - b. Project No.: P-2804-035
 - c. Date filed: February 2, 2018
 - d. Applicant: Goose River Hydro, Inc.
- e. *Name of Project:* Goose River Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: On the Goose River, near Belfast, Waldo County, Maine. No federal or tribal lands would be occupied by project works or located within the project boundary.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Nicholas Cabral, Goose River Hydro Inc., 67 Swan Lake Ave., Belfast, ME 04095, (207)– 604–4394, gooseriverhydro@gmail.com.
- i. FERC Contact: Julia Kolberg, 888 1st St. NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8261, Julia.kolberg@ferc.gov.
- j. Cooperating agencies: Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests

^{1 18} CFR 385.215 (2017).

^{2 18} CFR 292.203(d)(2).

^{3 18} CFR 292.203(a)(3).

described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. See, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating

agency status: April 3, 2018.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status using the Commission's eFiling system at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ ferc.gov, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2804-033.

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The project consists of the following existing facilities:

Swan Lake Dam

(1) A 14-foot-high, 250-foot-long rock masonry gravity dam impounding Swan Lake with a surface area of approximately 1,364 acres at an elevation of 201 feet above sea level; (2) a concrete inlet structure; (3) three manually operated butterfly gates that regulate flow through the inlet structure; (4) two culverts the convey flow under Route 141; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

Mason's Dam

(1) A 15-foot-high, 86-foot-long rock masonry dam impounding a reservoir with a storage capacity of approximately 1,621 acre-feet at an elevation of 188 feet above sea level; (2) a concrete inlet structure; (3) a manually operated gate regulating flow from the inlet structure to the penstock; (4) a 350-foot-long steel penstock; (5) a 266-square-foot concrete powerhouse containing two Kaplan turbines and generating units with a

licensed capacity of 75 kW; (6) a 300foot-long, 12-kilovolt (kV) transmission line and (7) appurtenant facilities.

Kelley Dam

(1) A 15-foot-high, 135-foot-long masonry gravity dam impounding a reservoir with a storage capacity of approximately 200 acre-feet at an elevation of approximately 159 feet above sea level; and (2) three manually operated gates.

Mill Dam

(1) A 6-foot-tall, 70-foot-wide masonry dam impounding a reservoir with a storage capacity of approximately 7 acre-feet at an elevation of approximately 128 feet above sea level; (2) a concrete inlet structure; (3) a trash sluice with wooden stop logs; (4) a 3foot-diameter, 110-foot-long plastic penstock; (5) a powerhouse containing a Francis-type turbine and generator unit with a licensed capacity of 94 kW; and (6) an approximately 100-foot-long, 12kV transmission line.

(1) A 21-foot-high, 231-foot-long buttress dam impounding a reservoir with a storage capacity of approximately 72 acre-feet at an elevation of approximately 109 feet above sea level; (2) a 5-foot-diameter, 1,200-foot-long steel penstock; (3) a 300-square-foot concrete and timber powerhouse with a Kaplan-type turbine and generator unit with a licensed capacity of 200 kW; and (4) an approximately 500-foot-long, 12kV transmission line.

o. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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. For assistance, contact FERC Online

p. Procedural schedule: The application will be processed according to the following preliminary schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Deficiency Letter—March 2018 Issue Notice of Acceptance—July 2018 Issue Scoping Document for

comments—August 2018

Comments on Scoping Document— October 2018

Issue notice of ready for environmental analysis-November 2018 Commission issues EA—April 2019 Comments on EA—May 2019

Dated: February 14, 2018.

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 rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER18-1-002. Applicants: California Independent System Operator Corporation

Description: Compliance filing: 2018-02–14 Petition for Limited Tariff Waiver to Delay Implementation RSI 1b & 2 to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 2/14/18.

Accession Number: 20180214-5133. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/21/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18-499-001. Applicants: Southwestern Electric Power Company.

Description: Tariff Amendment: SWEPCO-HOPE PSA RS#125 A&R Windcatcher—Deferral to be effective 1/1/2018.

Filed Date: 2/15/18.

Accession Number: 20180215-5000. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/8/18. Docket Numbers: ER18-500-001.

Applicants: Southwestern Electric

Power Company.

Description: Tariff Amendment: SWEPCO-Bentonville PSA RS#126 A&R Windcatcher Deferral Filing to be effective 1/1/2018.

Filed Date: 2/14/18.

Accession Number: 20180214-5166. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/7/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18-858-000. Applicants: PJM Interconnection,

L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Amendment to ISA, Service Agreement No. 4189; Queue No. Z2-012 to be effective 6/10/2015.

Filed Date: 2/15/18.

Accession Number: 20180215-5041. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/8/18. Docket Numbers: ER18-859-000.

Applicants: Pacific Gas and Electric

Company.

Description: Request for a One-Time Tariff Waiver Pacific Gas and Electric Company.