

determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing 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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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 184-065, California]

El Dorado Irrigation District; Notice of Public Meetings

May 30, 2002.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is reviewing the application for a new license for the El Dorado Project (FERC No. 184), filed on February 22, 2000. The El Dorado Project, licensed to the El Dorado Irrigation District (EID), is located on the South Fork American River, in El Dorado, Alpine, and Amador Counties, California. The project occupies lands of the Eldorado National Forest.

The EID, several state and federal agencies, and several non-governmental agencies have asked the Commission for time to work collaboratively with a facilitator to resolve certain issues relevant to this proceeding. These meetings are a part of that collaborative process.

On Monday, June 10, the aquatics-hydrology workgroup will meet from 9:00am until 4:00pm. On Tuesday, June 11, meetings will be held as follows:

Plenary Meeting 9:00am—12:00 noon;
Recreation Workgroup 1:00pm—4:00pm.

The workgroup meetings will focus on further defining interests and the development of management objectives. We invite the participation of all interested governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations, and the general public in these meetings.

All meetings will be held in the Best Western Placerville Inn, located at 6850 Greenleaf Drive, Placerville, California.

For further information, please contact Elizabeth Molloy at (202) 208-0771 or John Mudre at (202) 219-1208.

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Hermiston Power Partnership; Notice of Issuance of Order

May 30, 2002.

Hermiston Power Partnership (Hermiston) submitted for filing an initial rate schedule that provides for wholesale sales of electric energy, capacity replacement services, and certain ancillary services at market-based rates, and for the reassignment and resale of transmission rights. Hermiston also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Hermiston requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Hermiston.

On May 3, 2002, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates-West, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Hermiston 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, Hermiston 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 Hermiston, 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 Hermiston'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 June 10, 2002.

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 Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (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 at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, LLC; Notice of Application for Commission Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

May 31, 2002.

Take notice that on May 2, 2002, Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, LLC (Los Esteros) 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.

Los Esteros, a Delaware limited liability company, proposes to own and operate a nominally rated 180 MW natural gas-fired, simple cycle electric generating facility to be located in Santa Clara County, California. Los Esteros intends to sell the output at wholesale to an affiliated marketer.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file 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). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make