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Dated: February 16, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER11-2641-000]

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Notice of Filing

Take notice that, on February 10, 2011, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC filed to supplement its filing, in the above captioned docket, with information required under the Commission's regulations. Such filing serves to reset the filing date in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). 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 Applicant and all the parties in this proceeding.

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Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, February 23, 2011.

Dated: February 16, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ID-6495-000]

Keyser, Michael J.; Notice of Filing

Take notice that on February 15, 2011, Michael J. Keyser submitted for filing, an application for authority to hold interlocking positions, pursuant to section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 825d(b) (2008), Part 45 of Title 18 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 18 CFR part 45 and 45.8 (2010), and Commission Order No. 664, 112 FERC ¶ 61,298 (2005).

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). 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. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on March 8, 2011.

Dated: February 16, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM11-9-000]

Locational Exchanges of Wholesale Electric Power

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Inquiry.

SUMMARY: In this Notice of Inquiry (NOI), the Commission seeks comment that would assist the Commission in providing guidance as to the circumstances under which locational exchanges of electric power should be permitted generically and circumstances under which the Commission should consider locational exchanges on a case-by-case basis.

DATES: Comments are due April 25, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Commenters may submit comments, identified by docket number by any of the following methods:

- *Agency Web Site:* <http://www.ferc.gov>. Documents created electronically using word processing software should be filed in native applications or print-to-PDF format and not in a scanned format.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Commenters unable to file comments electronically must mail or hand deliver an original copy of their comments to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Additional requirements can be found on the Commission's Web site, see, e.g., the "Quick Reference Guide for Paper Submissions," available at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>, or via phone from FERC Online Support at 202-502-6652 or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Before Commissioners: Jon Wellinohoff, Chairman; Marc Spitzer, Philip D. Moeller, John R. Norris, and Cheryl A. LaFleur.
Issued February 17, 2011.

1. The Commission seeks comment regarding circumstances in which locational exchanges of electric power should be permitted generically or considered by the Commission on a case-by-case basis. Because locational exchanges, in different circumstances, might look either like wholesale power transactions that make efficient use of the transmission system or like the functional equivalent of transmission service, we also seek comments as to whether and how different types of locational exchanges are consistent with our core principles that transmission service must be available on a transparent and not unduly

discriminatory basis. While the Commission has spoken to locational exchanges in the past and that guidance continues to apply today, any policy determinations made in this proceeding will only be applied prospectively.

I. Background

A. Docket No. EL10-71-000

2. On June 4, 2010, Puget Sound Energy Inc. (Puget) filed a petition for declaratory order seeking a finding that a locational exchange is a wholesale power transaction and not transmission service subject to an open access transmission tariff (OATT). Puget defines a locational exchange as

* * * a pair of simultaneously arranged wholesale power transactions between the same counterparties in which party A sells electricity to party B at one location, and party B sells the same volume of electricity to party A at a different location with the same delivery period, but not necessarily at the same price.¹

3. In an order issuing contemporaneously with this NOI, the Commission finds that Puget's Petition raises significant policy issues for market participants in the electric industry and that the record in Docket No. EL10-71-000 provides insufficient basis to make the determination requested by Puget.² The Commission has initiated this proceeding to develop the record necessary to address the proper regulatory treatment of locational exchanges.

B. Prior Commission Policy

4. Prior to Puget's Petition, the Commission discussed transactions similar to locational exchanges in Order No. 888³ and subsequent Commission orders. As part of its statutory obligation under sections 205 and 206 of the Federal Power Act⁴ to remedy undue discrimination, the Commission adopted Order No. 888, which prohibits public utilities from using their monopoly power over transmission to engage in undue discrimination against others. In Order No. 888, the

¹ Puget, Petition for Declaratory Order, Docket No. EL10-71-000, at p. 1 (filed June 4, 2010) (Puget's Petition).

² 134 FERC ¶61,122 (2011).

³ Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities; Recovery of Stranded Costs by Public Utilities and Transmitting Utilities, Order No. 888, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 (1996), order on reh'g, Order No. 888-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,048, order on reh'g, Order No. 888-B, 81 FERC ¶ 61,248 (1997), order on reh'g, Order No. 888-C, 82 FERC ¶ 61,046 (1998), aff'd in relevant part sub nom. *Transmission Access Policy Study Group v. FERC*, 225 F.3d 667 (D.C. Cir. 2000), aff'd sub nom. *New York v. FERC*, 535 U.S. 1 (2002).

⁴ 16 U.S.C. 824d.