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On April 16, 2015 the Commission granted Columbia's request to utilize the Pre-Filing Process and assigned Docket No. PF15-21-000 to staff activities involved in the WB Xpress Project. Now, as of the filing of the December 30 application, the Pre-Filing Process for this Project has ended. From this time forward, this proceeding will be conducted in Docket No. CP16-38-000 as noted in the caption of this Notice.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding, or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 5 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of

comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 7 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on February 4, 2016.

Dated: January 14, 2016.

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: EC16-60-000.

Applicants: Aspiry Energy Mid-States, LLC, Aspiry Energy Northeast, LLC.

Description: Application of Aspiry Energy Northeast, LLC, et al. for Authorization under Section 203 of the FPA and Requests for Expedited Consideration and Confidential Treatment.

Filed Date: 1/13/16.

Accession Number: 20160113-5289.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/3/16.

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

Docket Numbers: EG16-38-000.

Applicants: Innovative Solar 43, LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator (EWG) of Innovative Solar 43, LLC.

Filed Date: 1/13/16.

Accession Number: 20160113-5225.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/3/16.

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

Docket Numbers: ER10-1818-012; ER10-1819-014; ER10-1820-017; ER10-1817-013.

Applicants: Public Service Company of Colorado, Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation, Southwestern Public Service Company.

Description: Triennial Market Power Analysis and Notice of Change in Status of Public Service Company of Colorado, et al.

Filed Date: 1/14/16.

Accession Number: 20160114-5292.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/14/16.

Docket Numbers: ER14-1656-007.

Applicants: CSOLAR IV West, LLC.

Description: Notification of Change in Status of CSOLAR IV West, LLC.

Filed Date: 1/14/16.

Accession Number: 20160114-5268.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/4/16.

Docket Numbers: ER15-2679-002.

Applicants: Latigo Wind Park, LLC.

Description: Compliance filing: Latigo Wind Park, LLC MBR Tariff to be effective 11/15/2015.

Filed Date: 1/14/16.

Accession Number: 20160114-5273.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/4/16.

Docket Numbers: ER15-2680-002.

Applicants: Sandstone Solar LLC.

Description: Compliance filing: Sandstone Solar LLC MBR Tariff to be effective 11/1/2015.

Filed Date: 1/14/16.

Accession Number: 20160114-5272.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/4/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-452-003.

Applicants: RE Tranquillity LLC.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Additional Amendment to Application

and Initial Tariff Filing to be effective 12/3/2015.

Filed Date: 1/13/16.

Accession Number: 20160113–5236.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/27/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16–730–000.

Applicants: PacifiCorp.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Basin Electric NITSA Rev 3 to be effective 1/1/2016.

Filed Date: 1/14/16.

Accession Number: 20160114–5290.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/4/16.

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

Docket Numbers: ES16–19–000.

Applicants: Union Electric Company.

Description: Application of Union Electric Company for Section 204 financing authority.

Filed Date: 1/14/16.

Accession Number: 20160114–5303.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/4/16.

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 14, 2016.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. P–14721–000]

The City of Springfield; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On October 13, 2015, the City of Springfield, Massachusetts (Springfield)

filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Watershops Pond Dam Hydroelectric Project (project) to be located on the Mill River, near Springfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) The existing 105-foot-long, 32-foot-high, concrete and masonry gravity Watershops Pond dam; (2) an existing 198-acre impoundment with a normal maximum water surface elevation of 155 feet above mean sea level; (3) a new 7-foot-long, 4-foot-wide steel penstock; (4) a new 100-foot-long, 30-foot-wide powerhouse containing a single turbine generator unit with an installed capacity of 145 kilowatts; (5) a new 800-foot-long, 0.48-kilovolt transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated average annual energy generation of 707 megawatt-hours. There are no federal lands associated with the project.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Peter J. Garvey, Director, Department of Capital Asset Construction, 36 Court Street, Room 312, Springfield, Massachusetts 01103; phone: (413) 787–6445.

FERC Contact: Michael Watts; phone: (202) 502–6123; email: michael.watts@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. 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–14721–000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P–14721) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: January 14, 2016.

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Termination of Requirement To File Fourth Quarter 2015 Land Acquisition Reports

Take notice that sellers with market-based rate authority need not submit reports for the fourth quarter of 2015 documenting the acquisition of control of sites for new generation capacity development (land acquisition reports). Order No. 816,¹ which will become effective on January 28, 2016, terminates the requirement to submit such reports. Therefore, land acquisition reports for the fourth quarter of 2015, which would have been due on January 30, 2016, are not required.

Dated: January 14, 2016.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. P–14743–000]

ORPC Maine, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On December 4, 2015, ORPC Maine, LLC (ORPC Maine) filed an application

¹ *Refinements to Policies and Procedures for Market-Based Rates for Wholesale Sales of Electric Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services by Public Utilities*, Order No. 816, 80 FR 67,056 (Oct. 30, 2015), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,374 (2015).