

the second time in 2018. TALIS is sponsored by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). In the United States, TALIS is conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), of the Institute of Education Sciences within the U.S. Department of Education. TALIS 2018 will address teacher training and professional development, teachers' appraisal, school climate, school leadership, teachers' instructional approaches, and teachers' pedagogical practices. In February 2017, TALIS 2018 field test will be conducted to evaluate newly developed teacher and school questionnaire items and test the survey operations. NCES's request to recruit and conduct pre-survey activities for the 2017 field test sample, administer the field test, and recruit schools for the 2018 main study sample was approved in September 2016 (1850-0888 v.5). This request amends the TALIS 2018 Recruitment and Field Test record with the final versions of the adapted U.S. versions of the TALIS 2018 field trial questionnaires. We are announcing a second 30-day comment period for the TALIS 2018 Field Test to include additional survey items in the field test questionnaires, as recently stipulated by OECD.

Dated: November 18, 2016.

**Kate Mullan,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

#### The SunShot Prize: Solar in Your Community Challenge

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice; Release of prize competition rules and process to participate.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice of the official release of rules for the SunShot Prize: Solar in Your Community Challenge. The Solar in your Community Challenge is a \$5 million prize competition to expand solar access to underserved segments, specifically low-and-moderate-income (LMI) communities; non-federal governments (*i.e.* state, local, and tribal), and non-profit organizations. The Challenge supports the creation,

demonstration, and scaling of innovative, replicable, and sustainable business and financial models that can successfully unlock solar access to these underserved segments. A \$500,000 Grand Prize will be awarded to the best team that can most successfully demonstrate a model and plan to scale solar to low and moderate income market segments. Other top teams will compete to receive four final prizes totaling \$500,000 based on their achievements and potential to scale up. In addition to competing for final prizes, DOE will award selected teams a total of \$2 million in seed awards and \$2 million in technical assistance throughout an 18-month performance period starting in April 2017 based on successful milestone completion. The rules for the Challenge can be found at [www.solarinyourcommunity.org](http://www.solarinyourcommunity.org).

**DATES:** Submission to participate in the Solar in Your Community Challenge started on November 18, 2016 and ends on March 17, 2017. The 18-month performance period starts in April 2017 and ends in October 2018. Final prizes are expected to be announced in January 2019. All dates are subject to change.

**ADDRESSES:** To apply, parties interested in participating should visit [www.solarinyourcommunity.org](http://www.solarinyourcommunity.org) and fill out an application.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Odette Mucha, U.S. Department of Energy, Mailstop EE-4S, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585-0001. Telephone: (202) 287-1862, Email: [solar.community@ee.doe.gov](mailto:solar.community@ee.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 (America COMPETES), Public Law 111-358, enacted January 4, 2011, authorizes Federal agencies to issue competitions to stimulate innovations in technology, education, and science.

#### Subject of the Competition

The Solar in Your Community Challenge is a \$5 million competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) SunShot Initiative and administered by State University of New York Polytechnic Institute. The goal is to expand solar access to underserved segments, specifically low-and-moderate-income (LMI) communities, non-federal governments (*i.e.* state, local, and tribal), and non-profit organizations. The Challenge supports the creation, demonstration, and scaling of innovative, replicable, and sustainable business and financial models that can successfully unlock

solar access to these underserved segments.

A \$500,000 Grand Prize will be awarded to the best team that can most successfully demonstrate a model and plan to scale solar to low and moderate income markets. Top teams will also compete to receive four additional final prizes totaling \$500,000 based on their achievements and potential to scale up. In addition to competing for final prizes, DOE will award selected teams a total of \$2 million in seed awards and \$2 million in technical assistance. Seed awards will be granted incrementally based on milestones during the 18-month performance period.

Two types of teams can participate in the Challenge: Project-focused and program-focused teams. Both types of teams will pursue solar efforts that benefit LMI communities (*e.g.*, residents of public housing), municipal governments (*e.g.*, schools), or non-profits (*e.g.*, foodbanks) that aggregate to 25kW-5MW in size.

Project teams will pursue a portfolio of new solar projects, while program-teams will establish new initiatives that support and enable these types of projects. Any entity can lead the project teams, but the teams should include a wide range of partners (*e.g.*, solar developers, utilities, cities, financial institutions, and community groups). State, local, and/or tribal governments; financial institutions; or utilities should lead the program-focused teams.

#### The Rules for Being Eligible To Participate in the Competition

The Challenge is open only to: (a) Citizens or permanent residents of the United States; and (b) private or non-federal public entities, such as townships, tribes, corporations, or other organizations that are incorporated in and maintain a primary place of business in the United States. DOE employees, employees of sponsoring organizations, members of their immediate families (spouses, children, siblings, parents), and persons living in the same household as such persons, whether or not related, are not eligible to participate in this competition. Federal entities and federal employees, acting within the scope of their employment, are also not eligible to participate in any portion of this competition.

#### Applicants Planning To Participate as Part of a Team Must Meet the Following Qualifying Requirements

A team must have a single legal entity representing the entire team. This entity shall be designated the Team Lead. The Team Lead is responsible for complying

with all rules of this competition including coordinating with its team members, resolving any conflicts, working with DOE and its prize administrator, participating according to the governing guidelines of the Marketplace, responsibly allocating resources, submitting all required materials throughout the competition, and complying with all guidance and restrictions, including restrictions around intellectual property.

For program-focused teams only, the Team Lead should be an electric utility, an electric co-operative, municipal power company, a financial institution, or a state, local or tribal government entity.

Each team member must be either: (a) Citizens or permanent residents of the United States; or (b) private or non-federal public entities, such as townships, tribes, corporations, or other organizations that are incorporated in and maintain a primary place of business in the United States. A subsidiary of a foreign entity that is incorporated in the United States and that maintains a primary place of business in the United States is also eligible.

To apply, parties interested in participating should visit [www.solarinyourcommunity.org](http://www.solarinyourcommunity.org) and fill out an application.

#### Technical Assistance

DOE and the Prize Administrator will provide a total of \$2 million in technical assistance to selected teams.

#### Prizes

Select Teams will receive seed prizes based on criteria assessing the team's potential impact (40%), innovation (30%), and the team itself (30%).

Final prizes will be determined through evaluation of teams' progress over the 18-month period of performance, their overall ability to create replicable, scalable, economically-sustainable business and financial models, and the innovativeness of their approach. The decisions of the judges are final and may not be challenged by participating teams.

Issued in Washington, DC on November 17, 2016.

#### Roland Risser,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary Renewable Power, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER17-357-000]

#### MPower Energy; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding MPower Energy's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest 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). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is December 6, 2016.

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-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for electronic review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: November 16, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application

Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC .....	Docket No. CP17-13-000
Columbia Natural Resources, LLC.	
Core Appalachia Midstream, LLC.	

Take notice that on November 9, 2016, Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC (Chesapeake), Columbia Natural Resources, LLC (CNR), (collectively CNR/Chesapeake), 6100 N. Western Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73118, filed an application for authority under section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations to abandon by sale a Limited Jurisdiction Certificate granted in Docket No. CP04-101-000.

The Commission has previously determined that CNR/Chesapeake is not a natural gas company, as defined in Section 2(6) of the NGA. CNR/Chesapeake states that it entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement on September 19, 2016, in which CNR/Chesapeake agreed to sell to TCFII Core LLC (Core) the non-jurisdictional Devonian Gas Gathering System located in Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Mingo, Raleigh, Roane, Wayne, and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia, and Floyd, Knott, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, and Pike Counties in Kentucky. CNR/Chesapeake required the Limited Jurisdiction Certificate to provide limited service to Mountaineer Gas Company d/b/a Allegheny Power (Mountaineer).

Pursuant to Section 7(c) of the NGA and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations Core Appalachia Midstream, LLC (Core Midstream) 200 Crescent Court, Suite 1040, Dallas, Texas 75201, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Core, requests a Limited Jurisdiction Certificate authorizing continuation of the service authorized in the Certificate for which CNR/Chesapeake requests abandonment authorization. Core Midstream states that the Limited Jurisdiction Certificate would enable it to transport gas on the Devonian Gas Gathering System to provide service to