

agencies, interested Indian tribes, and the public on the project's potential effects on historic properties.<sup>6</sup> We will define the project-specific Area of Potential Effects (APE) in consultation with the SHPOs as the project develops. On natural gas facility projects, the APE at a minimum encompasses all areas subject to ground disturbance (examples include construction right-of-way, contractor/pipe storage yards, compressor stations, and access roads). Our EA for this project will document our findings on the impacts on historic properties and summarize the status of consultations under section 106.

#### Environmental Mailing List

The environmental mailing list includes federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American Tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. This list also includes all affected landowners (as defined in the Commission's regulations) who are potential right-of-way grantors, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, or who own homes within certain distances of aboveground facilities, and anyone who submits comments on the project. We will update the environmental mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that we send the information related to this environmental review to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed project.

If we publish and distribute the EA, copies will be sent to the environmental mailing list for public review and comment. If you would prefer to receive a paper copy of the document instead of the CD version or would like to remove your name from the mailing list, please return the attached Information Request (appendix 2).

#### Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an "intervenor" which is an official party to the Commission's proceeding. Intervenor play a more formal role in the process and are able to file briefs, appear at hearings, and be heard by the courts if they choose to appeal the Commission's final ruling. An intervenor formally participates in

<sup>6</sup> The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's regulations are at Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 800. Those regulations define historic properties as any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

the proceeding by filing a request to intervene. Instructions for becoming an intervenor are in the "Document-less Intervention Guide" under the "e-filing" link on the Commission's website. Motions to intervene are more fully described at <http://www.ferc.gov/resources/guides/how-to/intervene.asp>.

#### Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC website at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on General Search and enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (*i.e.*, CP18-13). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Finally, public sessions or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at [www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx](http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx) along with other related information.

Dated: December 19, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

	Docket Nos.
Franklin Energy Storage One, LLC, Franklin Energy Storage Two, LLC, Franklin Energy Storage Three, LLC, Franklin Energy Storage Four, LLC.	EL18-50-000
Franklin Energy Storage One, LLC.	QF17-581-001
Franklin Energy Storage Two, LLC.	QF17-582-002

	Docket Nos.
Franklin Energy Storage Three, LLC.	QF17-583-003
Franklin Energy Storage Four, LLC.	QF17-584-004

Take notice that on December 14, 2017, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207, Franklin Energy Storage One, LLC, Franklin Energy Storage Two, LLC, Franklin Energy Storage Three, LLC, and Franklin Energy Storage Four, LLC filed a petition for declaratory order finding that certain orders of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission are inconsistent with the Public Utilities Regulatory Policies act of 1978, all 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](mailto: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 January 16, 2018.

Dated: December 18, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 848-037-NV]

#### Wells Rural Electric Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for a new license for the Trout Creek Hydroelectric Project, located on Trout Creek in Elko County, near the Town of Wells, Nevada, and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA).

The EA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA 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 documents. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

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 Support.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments 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. 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-848-037.

For further information, contact Kelly Wolcott at (202) 502-6480 or [kelly.wolcott@ferc.gov](mailto:kelly.wolcott@ferc.gov).

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9971-91-OCSPPP]

### Production of Confidential Business Information in Pending Litigation; Transfer of Information Claimed or Determined to Potentially Contain Confidential Business Information to the United States Department of Justice and Parties to Certain Litigation

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is providing notice, of disclosure of potential confidential business information in litigation.

**DATES:** Access by U.S. Department of Justice ("DOJ") and the parties to litigation to material, including CBI, discussed in this Notice, is ongoing and expected to continue during the litigation discussed in this Notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael L. Goodis, Registration Division (7505P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; main telephone number: (703) 305-7090; email address: [RDfRNotices@epa.gov](mailto:RDfRNotices@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is being provided, pursuant to 40 CFR 2.209(d), to inform affected businesses that the EPA, via the DOJ, has recently disclosed documents to the parties and the Court in the matter of

*National Family Farm Coalition, et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Scott Pruitt*, Case No. 17-70196 (9th Cir.) (the "Dicamba Litigation"), and in the consolidated matters of *National Family Farm Coalition, et al. v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Scott Pruitt*, Case No. 17-70810 (9th Cir.) and *Natural Resources Defense Council v. Scott Pruitt and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency*, Case No. 17-70817 (9th Cir.) (the "Enlist Duo Litigation"), that have been submitted to EPA by pesticide registrants or other data-submitters and that have been claimed to be, or have been determined to potentially contain, confidential business information (collectively "CBI").

In the "Dicamba Litigation," Petitioners seek judicial review of EPA's order granting a conditional pesticide registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act ("FIFRA") for the new uses of the herbicide dicamba on genetically engineered cotton and soybean. In the "Enlist Duo Litigation," Petitioners seek judicial review of EPA's order granting a conditional pesticide registration under FIFRA of the herbicide "Enlist Duo," containing the active ingredients 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid choline salt ("2,4-D") and glyphosate dimethylammonium salt ("glyphosate").

The documents are being produced as part of the Administrative Records of the decisions at issue and include documents that registrants or other data-submitters may have submitted to EPA regarding the pesticides dicamba, 2,4-D, and/or glyphosate, and that may be subject to various release restrictions under federal law. The information includes documents submitted with pesticide registration applications and may include CBI as well as scientific studies subject to the disclosure restrictions of section 10(g) of FIFRA, 7 U.S.C. 136h(d).

All documents that may be subject to release restrictions under federal law are designated as "Confidential or Restricted Information" under Protective Orders that the Court entered on November 8, 2017 in both cases (Dkt. 61-2 in the Dicamba Litigation; Dkt. 55-2 in the Enlist Duo Litigation). The Protective Orders preclude public disclosure of any such documents by the parties in this action who have received the information from EPA, unless a party successfully obtains a de-designation as Confidential or Restricted Information of any portion of the Administrative Record via the procedure described in paragraph 6 of the Protective Orders, and limits the use of such documents to litigation