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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Energy (DOE) regulates exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country, pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b) and 7172(f)). Such exports require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On April 25, 2014, DOE issued Order No. EA-258-D, which authorized BEMI to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities. That authority expires on April 23, 2019. On November 7, 2018, BEMI filed an application with DOE for renewal of the export authority contained in Order No. EA-258-D for an additional five-year term.

In its application, the Applicant states that it “does not own generation or transmission assets and does not have a franchised electric power service area,” and also “has no native load obligations.” The electric energy that the Applicant proposes to export to Canada would be surplus energy purchased from third parties such as electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies pursuant to voluntary agreements. The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by BEMI have previously been authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five (5) copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to

the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning BEMI’s application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-258-E. An additional copy is to be provided directly to Ruth Teetzel, Brookfield Energy Marketing Inc., 41 Victoria Street, Gatineau, Quebec J8X 2A1.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE’s National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after DOE determines that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Angela Troy at [Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov).

Signed in Washington, DC, on February 11, 2019.

**Christopher Lawrence**,  
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Transmission Permitting and Technical  
Assistance, Office of Electricity.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on Efficient and Flexible Building Loads

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

**ACTION:** Request for information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on its Request for Information (RFI) number regarding Efficient and Flexible Building Loads. Through this RFI, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Building Technologies Office (BTO) seeks input from industry to better understand where flexible building loads research goals can be refined to reflect market needs and inform related R&D activities.

**DATES:** Responses to the RFI must be received by 5:00 p.m. (ET) on March 1, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Responses to this RFI must be submitted electronically to *RFI\_GEB2019@ee.doe.gov*. Responses must be provided as attachments to an email.

It is recommended that attachments with file sizes exceeding 25MB be compressed (*i.e.*, zipped) to ensure message delivery. Responses must be provided as a Microsoft Word (.docx) attachment to the email, and no more than five (5) pages in length per category of questions, 12 point font, 1 inch margins. Only electronic responses will be accepted.

Please identify your answers by responding to a specific question or topic if applicable. Respondents may answer as many or as few questions as they wish.

DOE will not respond to individual submissions or publish publicly a compendium of responses. A response to this RFI will not be viewed as a binding commitment to develop or pursue the project or ideas discussed.

Respondents are requested to provide the following information at the start of their response to this RFI:

- Company/institution name;
- Company/institution contact;
- Contact’s address, phone number, and email address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Question may be addressed to *RFI\_GEB2019@ee.doe.gov* or to Monica Neukomm, (202) 845-3168. Further instructions can be found in the RFI document posted on EERE Exchange.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this RFI is to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research laboratories, government agencies, building owners and operators, builders, utilities, and other stakeholders on key issues related to the energy flexibility that building technologies can provide. This information will be used by BTO for strategic planning of the broader grid-interactive efficient building technologies R&D portfolio. This is solely a request for information and not a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). DOE is not accepting applications. The RFI is available at: <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

**Confidential Business Information**

Because information received in response to this RFI may be used to structure future programs and/or otherwise be made available to the public, respondents are strongly advised to NOT include any information in their responses that might be considered business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential. If, however, a respondent chooses to submit business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential information, it must be clearly and conspicuously marked as such in the response as detailed in the RFI [DE-FOA-0002070] at: <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

Factors of interest to DOE when evaluating requests to treat submitted information as confidential include: (1) A description of the items; (2) whether and why such items are customarily treated as confidential within the industry; (3) whether the information is generally known by or available from other sources; (4) whether the information has previously been made available to others without obligation concerning its confidentiality; (5) an explanation of the competitive injury to the submitting person that would result from public disclosure; (6) when such information might lose its confidential character due to the passage of time; and (7) why disclosure of the information would be contrary to the public interest.

Signed in Washington, DC, on January 30, 2019.

**David Nemtzow,**

*Director of Building Technologies Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-393-A]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 8 LLC

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity, U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 8 LLC (Applicant or EESS-8) has applied to renew its authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before March 22, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed to: Office of Electricity, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be transmitted by overnight mail, by electronic mail to [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov), or by facsimile to (202) 586-8008.

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section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On May 16, 2014, DOE issued Order No. EA-393, which authorized the Applicant to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities. That authorization expires on May 16, 2019. On February 22, 2018, EESS-8 filed an application with DOE for renewal of the export authorization contained in Order No. EA-393 for an additional five-year term.

In its application, the Applicant states that it “does not own or control any electric power generation or transmission facilities and does not have a franchised electric power service area.” The electric energy that the Applicant proposes to export to Canada would be surplus energy purchased from third parties such as electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies pursuant to voluntary agreements. The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by EESS-8 have previously been authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five (5) copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning EESS-8’s application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-393-A. An additional copy is to be provided directly to both Michael G. Henry, Emera Energy Services, Inc., 101 Federal St., Suite 1101, Boston, MA 02110, and Bonnie A. Suchman, Suchman Law LLC, 8104 Paisley Place, Potomac, MD 20854.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE’s National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after DOE determines that the proposed action will not have

an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

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Signed in Washington, DC, on February 12, 2019.

**Christopher Lawrence,**

*Management and Program Analyst, Transmission Permitting and Technical Assistance, Office of Electricity.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-392-A]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 7 LLC

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity, U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 7 LLC (Applicant or EESS-7) has applied to renew its authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

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On May 16, 2014, DOE issued Order No. EA-392, which authorized the Applicant to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term