

proposed by Rio Grande LNG, LLC (RG LNG) and Rio Bravo Pipeline Company, LLC (RB Pipeline) (collectively referred to as the RG Developers) in the above-referenced dockets. RG LNG requests authorization pursuant to section 3(a) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) to construct and operate liquefied natural gas (LNG) export facilities in Cameron County, Texas, and RB Pipeline requests a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to section 7(c) of the NGA to construct, operate, and maintain a new pipeline system in Jim Wells, Kleberg, Kenedy, Willacy, and Cameron Counties, Texas.

The final EIS assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that construction and operation of the Rio Grande LNG Project would result in some adverse environmental impacts, but these impacts would be reduced to less than significant levels. However, the Rio Grande LNG Project, combined with other projects within the geographic scope, including the Texas LNG and Annova LNG Projects, would contribute to potential significant cumulative impacts from construction noise during nighttime pile-driving; sediment/turbidity and shoreline erosion within the Brownsville Ship Channel during operations from vessel transits; on the federally listed ocelot and jaguarundi from habitat loss and potential for increased vehicular strikes during construction; on the federally listed northern aplomado falcon from habitat loss in combination with past actions; and on visual resources from the presence of aboveground structures. Construction and operation of the Rio Grande LNG Project would result in mostly temporary or short-term environmental impacts; however, some long-term and permanent environmental impacts would occur.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, the DOT's Federal Aviation Administration, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Park Service, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration—National Marine Fisheries Service participated as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS. Cooperating agencies have jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially

affected by the proposal and participate in the NEPA analysis. Although the cooperating agencies provided input to the conclusions and recommendations presented in the final EIS, the agencies will present their own conclusions and recommendations in their respective Records of Decision for the Project.

The final EIS addresses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following proposed facilities:

- Six liquefaction trains at the Rio Grande LNG Terminal, each with a nominal capacity of 4.5 million tons per annum of LNG for export, resulting in the total nominal capacity of 27.0 million tons per annum;
- four LNG storage tanks, each with a net capacity of 180,000 cubic meters;
- LNG truck loading facilities with four loading bays, each with the capacity to load 12 to 15 trucks per day;
- a refrigerant storage area and truck unloading facilities;
- a condensate storage area and truck loading facilities;
- a new marine slip with two LNG vessel berths to accommodate simultaneous loading of two LNG vessels, an LNG vessel and support vessel maneuvering area, and an LNG transfer system;
- a materials off-loading facility;
- 2.4 miles of 42-inch-diameter pipeline, including 0.8 mile of dual pipeline, to gather gas from existing systems in Kleberg and Jim Wells Counties (referred to as the Header System);
- 135.5 miles of parallel 42-inch-diameter pipelines originating in Kleberg County and terminating at the Rio Grande LNG Terminal in Cameron County (referred to as Pipelines 1 and 2);
- four stand-alone metering sites along the Header System;
- two new interconnect booster compressor stations, each with a metering site;
- three new compressor stations (one at the LNG Terminal site); and
- other associated utilities, systems, and facilities (yards, access roads, etc.).

The Commission mailed a copy of the *Notice of Availability* of the final EIS to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; and newspapers and libraries in the project area. The final EIS is only available in electronic format. It may be viewed and downloaded from the FERC's website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)), on the Environmental Documents page ([https://](https://www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis.asp)

[www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis.asp)). In addition, the final EIS may be accessed by using the eLibrary link on the FERC's website. Click on the eLibrary link (<https://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>), click on General Search, and enter the docket number in the Docket Number field, excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP16-454 or CP16-455). 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.

Additional information about the Projects is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) using the eLibrary link. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription that 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).

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**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:* EC19-81-000.

*Applicants:* Alta Oak Realty, LLC, Oak Creek Wind Power, LLC, ON Wind Energy, LLC.

*Description:* Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, et al. of Alta Oak Realty, LLC, et al.

*Filed Date:* 4/25/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190425-5180.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/16/19.

*Docket Numbers:* EC19-82-000.

*Applicants:* Utah Red Hills Renewable Park, LLC.

*Description:* Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the

Federal Power Act, et al. of Utah Red Hills Renewable Park, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 4/25/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190425–5186.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/16/19.

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

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–81–000.

*Applicants:* Athens Energy, LLC.

*Description:* Report Filing: Response Regarding Refunds to be effective N/A.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5003.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–915–001.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* Compliance filing: 2019–04–26 Compliance to RAN Outage Coordination Filing to be effective 4/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5138.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1137–002.

*Applicants:* Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Amended Filing in ER19–1137—East Texas Cooperatives Stated Rate Revisions to be effective 6/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5199.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/6/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1364–001.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff Amendment:

2019–04–25\_SA 3267 Astoria Substation Sub MPFCA (J493 J510) OTP to be effective 3/19/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/25/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190425–5145.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/6/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1634–001;

ER13–1141–004; ER13–1142–004;

ER17–1849–004; ER16–918–003; ER19–

1633–001; ER15–1657–009; ER19–1638–001.

*Applicants:* Bridgeport Energy LLC, Essential Power Massachusetts, LLC, Essential Power Newington, LLC, Nautilus Power, LLC, Rhode Island State Energy Center, LP, Rumford Power LLC, SEPG Energy Marketing Services, LLC, Tiverton Power LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Bridgeport Energy LLC, et al.

*Filed Date:* 4/25/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190425–5179.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/16/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1678–000.

*Applicants:* New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 205 re: locational operating reserves region

for NYC (Load Zone J) to be effective 6/26/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5001.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1679–000.

*Applicants:* Duke Energy Florida, LLC.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Joint OATT Power Losses (DEF) 2019 to be effective 5/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5005.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1680–000.

*Applicants:* Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2236R11 Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. NITSA NOA to be effective 4/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5006.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1681–000.

*Applicants:* New England Power Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Related Facilities Agreement with Calpine Fore River Energy Center to be effective 3/28/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5042.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1682–000.

*Applicants:* American Transmission Systems, Incorporated, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: ATSI submits an ECSA, Service Agreement No. 5269 with The Ohio Edison Company to be effective 6/25/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5074.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1683–000;

TS19–3–000.

*Applicants:* Southern Power Company, Wildhorse Wind Energy, LLC.

*Description:* Petition for Waiver of the requirement of Order Nos. 888, et al. of Wildhorse Wind Energy, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5140.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1684–000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., Ameren Illinois Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019–04–26\_SA 2005 Ameren-Hoosier WDS Agreement to be effective 7/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5139.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1685–000.

*Applicants:* Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 607R35 Westar Energy, Inc. NITSA NOA to be effective 4/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5159.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1686–000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019–04–26\_SA 2240 ITC-Sumpter Energy 1st Rev GIA (J043 J646) to be effective 4/10/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5160.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1687–000.

*Applicants:* Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: SPS Formula Rate Revisions to Incorporate Changes Accepted in ER18–2410 to be effective 1/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5188.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1688–000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., Ameren Illinois Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019–04–26\_SA 1951 Ameren-IMEA WDS Agreement to be effective 7/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5207.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–1689–000.

*Applicants:* Public Service Company of Colorado.

*Description:* Initial rate filing: 20190426\_Non-Conforming Market-Based Rate Agreements to be effective 7/1/2019.

*Filed Date:* 4/26/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190426–5214.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 5/17/19.

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.

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*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP19-86-000]

#### Spire Storage West, LLC; Notice of Staff Protest to Proposed Blanket Certificate Activity

Commission staff (Protestor) hereby protests the prior notice request filed under the provisions of Part 157, subpart F, of the Commission's regulations, by Spire Storage West, LLC (Spire Storage) on February 13, 2019, in the above-referenced docket. Pursuant to its Part 157, subpart F, blanket certificate authority, Spire Storage proposes to construct and operate 10.1 miles of dual 20-inch-diameter pipelines, one new pipeline interconnection with measurement equipment, and related facilities in Uinta County, Wyoming. Protestor seeks to have this prior notice request processed as a case-specific application filed under section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157, subpart A, of the Commission's regulations.<sup>1</sup>

Protestor notes that Spire Storage did not provide documentation from the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Officer to demonstrate the Project's compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as required under section 157.208(c)(9) of the Commission's regulations. Without this information, environmental concerns cannot be adequately assessed before the protest period expires today.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 157.205(f) provides that a protested prior notice filing shall be treated as though it had filed a case-specific application under the Natural Gas Act section 7, unless, pursuant to section 157.205(g), the protestor withdraws its protest within 30 days after protests were due.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14977-000]

#### Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications: kW River Hydroelectric

On March 4, 2019, kW River Hydroelectric 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 Hamilton Low Dam Hydroelectric Project to be located on the Great Miami River and near the City of Fairfield, in Butler County, Ohio. 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 the following: (1) Eleven 37-foot-long by 15-foot-wide turbine modules, each containing four 125-kilowatt (kW) turbines for a total project capacity of 5,500 kW; (2) two three-phase alternating current (A/C) generators, having a combined maximum power output capacity of 7,500 kW; (3) a 240-foot-long, 69-kV transmission line connecting to an existing transmission system (preferred option) or a 110-foot-long, 13.2-kV line connecting to an existing distribution system (secondary option); and (4) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the Hamilton Low Dam Hydroelectric Project would be 3,066 megawatt-hours.

*Applicant Contact:* Mr. Paul Kling, kW River Hydroelectric, 5667 Krystal Court, Suite 100, Cincinnati, OH 45252; phone: (513) 673-2251.

*FERC Contact:* Tyrone Williams; phone: (202) 502-6331.

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](mailto: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-14977-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the eLibrary link of Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14977) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13629-002]

#### Notice of Effectiveness of Withdrawal of License Application: Coleman Hydro LLC

On April 22, 2011, Coleman Hydro LLC (Coleman) filed a license application for an original minor license to construct and operate its proposed Coleman Hydroelectric Project No. 13629. The Commission issued a notice on April 1, 2019 that informed Coleman that its proposed LTC Hydro Project located at the same proposed site meets the qualifying conduit hydropower facility criteria and to withdraw its pending license application if it intends to pursue the project as a qualifying conduit hydropower facility. On April 9, 2019, Coleman filed a letter informing the Commission that it was withdrawing its minor license application for the project.

No motion in opposition to the notice of withdrawal has been filed, and the Commission has taken no action to disallow the withdrawal. Pursuant to Rule 216(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the withdrawal of the application became