

CFR parts 1500–1508 and 10 CFR part 1021, respectively.

Purpose and Need for Action

DOE's purpose and need for action is to analyze capabilities for alternative treatment and disposal options for DWPF recycle wastewater through the use of existing, permitted, off-site commercial facilities. When DOE prepared the 1994 DWPF SEIS and the *Savannah River Site Salt Processing Alternatives Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement* (DOE/EIS-082-S2), DOE did not analyze the potential environmental impacts associated with potential commercial treatment and disposal options for DWPF recycle wastewater. DOE now proposes to use commercial LLW disposal facilities for up to 10,000 gallons of DWPF recycle wastewater to inform planning activities on treatment and disposal options for completion of the tank closure program. Any proposal to dispose of more than 10,000 gallons of DWPF recycle wastewater would be evaluated in a separate NEPA review. Treatment and/or disposal of this waste at a commercial LLW facility would inform planning activities for the three years between the completion of the Salt Waste Processing Facility (SWPF) mission (estimated 2031) and DWPF mission completion (estimated 2034). During this period, DOE will not have the option of returning DWPF recycle wastewater to SWPF for processing because SWPF will have completed its mission of treating salt waste from the tank farms and will undergo closure.

Proposed Action and Alternatives

DOE's proposed action is to dispose of up to 10,000 gallons of stabilized (e.g., grouted³) DWPF recycle wastewater from the SRS H-Area Tank Farm at a commercial LLW facility outside of South Carolina, licensed by either the NRC or an Agreement State under 10 CFR part 61. Prior to a disposal decision, DOE would characterize the

³ Grout is a proven safe and effective technology that continues to be used by DOE and other national and international parties to stabilize radioactive wastes, including certain tank wastes, for disposal. Use of stabilization agents for this purpose is consistent with the *NRC's Concentration Averaging and Encapsulation Branch Technical Position, Revision 1, Volume 1*, February 2015 (<https://www.nrc.gov/docs/ML1225/ML12254B065.pdf>), which allows mixing of nonradioactive constituents with radioactive waste (e.g., solidification, encapsulation, or additives used in thermal processing) provided the mixing has a purpose other than reducing the waste classification, such as waste stabilization or process control. Furthermore, the addition of stabilization agents to the waste prior to disposal is often necessary to meet the NRC requirements in 10 CFR 61.56, "Waste Characteristics" (e.g., to ensure stability of the waste form).

DWPF recycle wastewater to determine whether it meets DOE's HLW interpretation for disposal as non-HLW. As part of this process, DOE would determine and verify with the licensee of the commercial LLW disposal facility that the stabilized waste meets the facility's waste acceptance criteria and all other requirements of the disposal facility, including any applicable regulatory requirements (e.g., the *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act* [42 U.S.C. 6901]) for treatment of the waste prior to disposal and applicable U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) requirements for packaging and transportation from SRS to the commercial facility.

DOE has identified three action alternatives for the proposed action:

- Alternative 1 would deploy a treatment capability at SRS to stabilize up to 10,000 gallons of DWPF recycle wastewater and then transport the grouted waste form to a licensed commercial disposal facility, either the Waste Control Specialists (WCS) site near Andrews, Texas (if determined to be Class A, B or C LLW)⁴ and/or the EnergySolutions site near Clive, Utah (if determined to be Class A LLW),⁵ depending upon waste content and facility waste acceptance criteria.
- Alternative 2 would transport up to 10,000 gallons of DWPF recycle wastewater to a licensed commercial disposal facility, either the WCS site and/or the EnergySolutions site, with the capability to stabilize and dispose of the final waste form.
- Alternative 3 would transport up to 10,000 gallons of DWPF recycle wastewater to a permitted and licensed commercial treatment facility with the capability to stabilize the liquid into a stabilized waste form, and then transport the final waste form to a licensed commercial disposal facility, either the WCS site and/or the EnergySolutions site, depending upon waste content and facility waste acceptance criteria.

The Draft SRS DWPF Recycle Wastewater EA also analyzed a no action alternative under which the up to 10,000 gallons of DWPF recycle

⁴ WCS is licensed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for the disposal of Class A, B, and C LLW that meets specified waste acceptance criteria. Disposal of the stabilized waste at the WCS site would be conducted in accordance with the facility's operating license (Radioactive Material License No. CN600616890/RN101702439).

⁵ EnergySolutions is licensed by the Utah Department of Environmental Quality for the disposal of Class A LLW that meets specified waste acceptance criteria. Disposal of the stabilized waste at the EnergySolutions site would be conducted in accordance with the facility's operating license (Radioactive Material License No. UT 2300249).

wastewater would remain in the SRS liquid waste system.

NEPA Process

All comments on the Draft SRS DWPF Recycle Wastewater EA received during the public comment period will be considered in preparation of the Final SRS DWPF Recycle Wastewater EA. Following the public comment period, and based on the Final SRS DWPF Recycle Wastewater EA and consideration of all comments received, DOE will either issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or announce its intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS). If DOE determines that a FONSI is appropriate, both the Final EA and FONSI will be made available to the public. If DOE determines that an EIS is needed, either during preparation of the Final SRS DWPF Recycle Wastewater EA or after completing the EA, DOE would issue in the **Federal Register** a Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS. Consultations with other agencies (e.g., State Historic Preservation Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) were not required or undertaken in connection with the Draft SRS DWPF Recycle Wastewater EA. As required under DOE's NEPA implementing procedures (10 CFR 1021.301(c)), the following agencies were individually notified of the preparation of this EA: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control; Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; and Utah Department of Environmental Quality.

Signed at Washington, DC, on December 4, 2019.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

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

Docket Numbers: EG20-56-000.

Applicants: Crooked Run Solar, LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Crooked Run Solar, LLC.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5119.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: EG20–57–000.
Applicants: Cubico Crooked Run Lessee, LLC.
Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Cubico Crooked Run Lessee, LLC.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5137.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
 Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER10–2768–003.
Applicants: Empire Generating Co, LLC.

Description: Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Empire Generating Co, LLC.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5136.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–57–001; ER20–339–001; ER20–58–001; ER19–115–001; ER20–59–001; ER20–27–001; ER16–2019–002; ER17–1607–001; ER17–1608–001; ER17–318–001; ER16–2520–001; ER19–8–001; ER19–119–001; ER19–2476–001; ER18–97–001; ER20–422–001.

Applicants: GA Solar 3, LLC, Twiggs County Solar, LLC, FL Solar 4, LLC, FL Solar 5, LLC, AZ Solar 1, LLC, Wright Solar Park LLC, Five Points Solar Park LLC, Sunray Energy 2, LLC, Sunray Energy 3 LLC, Three Peaks Power, LLC, Grand View PV Solar Two LLC, Sweetwater Solar, LLC, Techren Solar I LLC, Techren Solar II LLC, MS Solar 3, LLC, FL Solar 1, LLC.

Description: Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of GA Solar 3, LLC, et al.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5151.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–509–000.
Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: ISA and ICSA SA Nos. 5245 and 5250; Queue No. AB2–067/AC1–044/AD2–189 to be effective 5/13/2019.

Filed Date: 12/3/19.
Accession Number: 20191203–5184.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/24/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–510–000.
Applicants: Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019–12–04_SA 3378 NIPSCO-Poplar Wind Project GIA (J883) to be effective 11/19/2019.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.

Accession Number: 20191204–5000.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–511–000.
Applicants: Wilderness Line Holdings, LLC.

Description: Baseline eTariff Filing: Open Access Transmission Tariff Baseline Filing to be effective 12/5/2019.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5099.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–512–000.
Applicants: Click Energy LLC.
Description: Baseline eTariff Filing: Click Energy MBR Application Filing to be effective 1/3/2020.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5101.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–513–000.
Applicants: Southern California Edison Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: LGIA Aurora Solar LLC, Camino Solar SA No. 237 to be effective 12/5/2019.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5113.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–514–000.
Applicants: Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc., Otter Tail Power Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019–12–04_SA 3384 OTP-Dakota Range III FSA (J488) Hankinson-Wahpeton to be effective 2/3/2020.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5150.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.
Docket Numbers: ER20–515–000.
Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., Otter Tail Power Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019–12–04_SA 3385 OTP-Deuel Harvest FSA (J526) Hankinson-Wahpeton to be effective 2/3/2020.

Filed Date: 12/4/19.
Accession Number: 20191204–5152.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/26/19.

Take notice that the Commission received the following public utility holding company filings:

Docket Numbers: PH20–4–000.
Applicants: Unison Energy, LLC, AIM Universal Holdings, LLC, Hunt Companies, Inc.

Description: Unison Energy, LLC, et al. submits FERC–65A Notice of Change in Fact to Exemption Notification.

Filed Date: 12/3/19.
Accession Number: 20191203–5264.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/24/19.

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.

Dated: December 4, 2019.

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[Docket No. CP20–17–000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on November 25, 2019, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern Natural), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in the above referenced docket, a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.208 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Northern Natural's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82–401–000, for authorization to install and operate (1) 7.4-mile-long, 8-inch-diameter branch line loop located in Juneau County, Wisconsin; (2) an addition electric motor-driven 800-HP reciprocating compressor unit at its existing Spring Green CS in Sauk County, Wisconsin; and (3) branch line take-off regulation, including appurtenances in Salk County, Wisconsin (New Lisbon 2020 Expansion Project). The project will allow Northern Natural to transport an incremental 15,180 dekatherms per day of service for Wisconsin Power and Light Company, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

The filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the eLibrary link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the