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Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 6/9/20.

Docket Numbers: ER20–1851–000.

Applicants: Whitetail Solar 3, LLC.

Description: Baseline eTariff Filing:

Reactive Power Compensation to be effective 7/18/2020.

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Docket Numbers: ER20–1852–000.

Applicants: Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc., Ameren Illinois Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing:

2020–05–19\_SA 3498 Ameren Illinois-BPWENA Payment Agreement to be effective 7/19/2020.

Filed Date: 5/19/20.

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Docket Numbers: ER20–1853–000.

Applicants: Whitehorn Solar LLC.

Description: Baseline eTariff Filing:

Application for Market-Based Rate Authorization, Request for Related Waivers to be effective 7/19/2020.

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Accession Number: 20200519–5091.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 6/9/20.

Docket Numbers: ER20–1854–000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing:

Amendment to Second Revised WMPA No. 4869; Queue No. AC2–138/AD2–044 to be effective 2/22/2019.

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Dated: May 19, 2020.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

Deputy Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RD20–1–000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–725G); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection FERC–725G (Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System: PRC Standards: Regional Reliability Standard PRC–006–NPCC–2 Automatic Underfrequency Load-Shedding (UFLS)) and submitting the information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due June 25, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments filed with OMB, identified by OMB Control No. 1902–0252. Send written comments on FERC–725G to OMB thru [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Please identify the OMB Control Number (1902–0252) in the subject line of your comments and should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Using the search function under the Currently Under Review field select Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; click submit and select comment to the right of the subject collection.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Commission, in Docket No. RD20–1–000, by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Website:* <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

- *Mail/Express Services:* Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225

Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

#### Instructions

**OMB submissions:** Must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain); Using the search function under the Currently Under Review field select Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; click “submit” and select comment to the right of the subject collection.

**FERC submissions:** Must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at: (866) 208–3676 (toll-free).

**Docket:** Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), telephone at (202) 502–8663.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** FERC–725G (Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System: Regional Reliability Standard PRC–006–NPCC–2, Automatic Underfrequency Load-Shedding (UFLS)).

**OMB Control No.:** 1902–0252.

**Type of Request:** Revisions to the information collection, as discussed in Docket No. RD20–1–000.

**Abstract:** The proposed regional Reliability Standard applies to generator owners, planning coordinators, distribution providers, and transmission owners in the Northeast Power Coordinating Council Region and is designed to ensure the development of an effective automatic underfrequency load shedding (UFLS) program to preserve the security and integrity of the Bulk-Power System during declining system frequency events in coordination with the NERC continent-wide UFLS Reliability Standard PRC–006–1.<sup>1</sup> The Commission also proposes to approve the related violation risk factors, violation severity levels, implementation plan, and effective date proposed by NERC.

On August 8, 2005, Congress enacted into law the Electricity Modernization Act of 2005, which is Title XII, Subtitle A, of the Energy Policy Act of 2005

<sup>1</sup> Effective date of the standard is 4/1/2020.

(EPAAct 2005).<sup>2</sup> EPAAct 2005 added a new section 215 to the FPA, which required a Commission-certified Electric Reliability Organization (ERO) to develop mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards, which are subject to Commission review and approval. Once approved, the Reliability Standards may be enforced by the ERO subject to Commission oversight, or the Commission can independently enforce Reliability Standards.<sup>3</sup>

On February 3, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 672, implementing section 215 of the FPA.<sup>4</sup> Pursuant to Order No. 672, the Commission certified one organization, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), as the ERO.<sup>5</sup> The Reliability Standards developed by the ERO and approved by the Commission apply to users, owners and operators of the Bulk-Power System as set forth in each Reliability Standard.

On December 23, 2019, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc. (NPCC) filed a joint petition seeking approval of proposed regional Reliability Standard PRC-006-NPCC-2 (NPCC Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding). NERC and NPCC state that regional Reliability Standard PRC-006-

NPCC-2 establishes consistent and coordinated requirements for the design, implementation, and analysis of automatic underfrequency load shedding (UFLS) programs among all NPCC applicable entities. These requirements are more stringent and specific than the NERC continent-wide UFLS Reliability Standard, PRC-006-3, and were established such that the declining frequency is arrested and recovered in accordance with NPCC performance requirements. NPCC revised currently effective Regional Reliability Standard PRC-006-NPCC-1 to remove redundancies with the Reliability Standard PRC-006-3, clarify obligations for registered entities, improve communication of island boundaries to affected registered entities, and provide entities with the flexibility to calculate net load shed for UFLS in certain situations.

On February 19, 2020, the Commission issued a Delegated Letter Order, Docket No. RD20-1-000, approving proposed Reliability Standard PRC-006-NPCC-2, the associated VRFs and VSLs, the Effective Date, and the retirement of the currently effective Regional Reliability Standard PRC-006-NPCC-1. The effective date for Reliability Standard PRC-006-

NPCC-2 is as of the date of this order, January 18, 2020.

*Type of Respondents:* Generator owners, planning coordinators, distribution providers, and transmission owners in the Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC) Region.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*<sup>6</sup> Our estimates are based on the NERC Compliance Registry Summary of Entities as of January 31, 2019. According to the NERC compliance registry, and Functions as of, which indicates there are registered as GO, PC, DP and TO entities.

The individual burden estimates are based on the time needed to gather data, run studies, and analyze study results to design or update the underfrequency load shedding programs. Additionally, documentation and the review of underfrequency load shedding program results by supervisors and management is included in the administrative estimations. These are consistent with estimates for similar tasks in other Commission approved standards.

Estimates for the additional burden and cost imposed by the order in Docket No. RD20-1-000 follow:

Commission estimates the annual burden and cost<sup>7</sup> as follows.

**RD20-1-000—MANDATORY RELIABILITY STANDARDS FOR THE BULK-POWER SYSTEM: REGIONAL RELIABILITY STANDARD PRC-006-NPCC-2 AUTOMATIC UNDERFREQUENCY LOAD SHEDDING (UFLS)**

Reliability standard & requirement	Average annual number of respondents	Average annual number of responses per respondent	Average annual total number of responses	Average burden hours & cost (\$ per response	Total annual burden hours & cost (\$) (rounded)	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)
GO <sup>8</sup> .....	125	1	125	24 hrs.; \$1,920 .....	3,000 hrs.; \$240,000	\$1,920
PC <sup>9</sup> .....	2	1	2	24 hrs.; \$1,920 .....	48 hrs.; \$3,840 .....	1,920
DP <sup>10</sup> .....	51	1	51	24 hrs.; \$1,920 .....	1,224 hrs.; \$97,920 ...	1,920
TO <sup>11</sup> .....	39	1	39	24 hrs.; \$1,920 .....	936 hrs.; \$74,880 .....	1,920
<b>Total</b> .....			<b>217</b>		<b>5,208 hrs.: \$416,640</b>	

*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate

of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those

who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

<sup>2</sup> Energy Policy Act of 2005, Public Law 109-58, Title XII, Subtitle A, 119 Stat. 594, 941 (codified at 16 U.S.C. 824o).

<sup>3</sup> 16 U.S.C. 824o(e)(3).

<sup>4</sup> *Rules Concerning Certification of the Electric Reliability Organization; and Procedures for the Establishment, Approval, and Enforcement of Electric Reliability Standards*, Order No. 672, FERC Stats. & Regs. 31,204, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 672-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. 31,212 (2006).

<sup>5</sup> *North American Electric Reliability Corp.*, 116 FERC 61,062, *order on reh'g and compliance*, 117 FERC 61,126 (2006), *order on compliance*, 118 FERC 61,190, *order on reh'g*, 119 FERC 61,046 (2007), *aff'd sub nom. Alcoa Inc. v. FERC*, 564 F.3d 1342 (D.C. Cir. 2009).

<sup>6</sup> Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a federal agency. See 5 CFR

1320 for additional information on the definition of information collection burden.

<sup>7</sup> The Commission staff estimates that industry is similarly situated in terms of hourly cost (for wages plus benefits). Based on the Commission's FY (Fiscal Year) 2019 average cost (for wages plus benefits), \$80.00/hour is used.

<sup>8</sup> Generator Owner.

<sup>9</sup> Planning Coordinator.

<sup>10</sup> Distribution Provide.

<sup>11</sup> Transmission Owner.

Dated: May 19, 2020.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 10853-022]

#### **Otter Tail Power Company; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, Ready for Environmental Analysis, and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Preliminary Terms and Conditions, and Preliminary Fishway Prescriptions**

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 10853-022.

c. *Date Filed:* November 27, 2019.

d. *Applicant:* Otter Tail Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Otter Tail River Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The Otter Tail River Hydroelectric Project consists of five developments on the Otter Tail River that starts in the Township of Friberg, Minnesota and extends downstream (south) of the City of Fergus Falls, Minnesota. The project does not occupy federal land.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Michael Olson, Natural Gas Turbine Operations and NERC Compliance, Otter Tail Power Company, 215 South Cascade Street, Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56537; (218) 739-8411; [mjolson@otpc.com](mailto:mjolson@otpc.com).

i. *FERC Contact:* Patrick Ely at (202) 502-8570 or email at [patrick.ely@ferc.gov](mailto:patrick.ely@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and preliminary prescriptions:* 60 Days from the issuance date of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and preliminary fishway prescriptions 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).

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. This application has been accepted for filing and is now ready for environmental analysis.

l. The Otter Tail River Project consists of the following five existing developments listed upstream to downstream: (1) Friberg development; (2) Hoot development; (3) Central development; (4) Pisgah development; and (5) Dayton Hollow development.

The Friberg development consists of: (1) A reservoir with a surface area of 340 acres, and negligible storage capacity, at a normal water surface elevation of 1,299 feet mean sea level (msl); (2) a 341-foot-long dam which contains a 31-foot-high and 61-foot-long spillway with seven bays, an 80-foot-long and 36-foot-high east earthfill dike, and a 200-foot-long and 36-foot-high west earthfill dike; (3) a power canal; (4) a 194-foot-long, 9-foot-diameter penstock; (5) a 27-foot-wide and 27-foot-long reinforced concrete powerhouse; (6) a vertical turbine rated at 900 horsepower (hp) under a head of 35 feet, connected to a 560-kilowatt (kW) generator; (7) a tailrace; (8) a 75-foot-long, 2.4-kilovolt (kV) transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities.

The Hoot development facilities include: (1) A reservoir with a negligible surface area and storage capacity (dam diverts river flow) at a normal water surface elevation of 1,256 feet msl; (2) a 150-foot-long, 9-foot-high dam which contains a concrete spillway with six stoplogged openings with the two outer openings 5 feet 4 inches wide and the other four openings 11 feet 4 inches wide; (3) a 500-foot-long, 90-inch-diameter concrete tunnel (Hoot Lake); (4) a 20-foot-wide, 700-foot-long channel between Hoot Lake and Wright Lake; (5) a 20-foot-wide, 300-foot-long channel leading to the intake structure;

(6) a 1,050-foot-long, 8-foot-square concrete tube; (7) a surge tank; (8) an 89-foot-long, 6-foot-diameter steel penstock; (9) a reinforced concrete powerhouse; (10) a horizontal turbine rated at 1,260 hp under a head of 68 feet connected to a 1,000-kw generator; (11) a tailrace; (12) a 200-foot-long, 2.4-kV transmission line; (13) a nature-like fishway; and (14) appurtenant facilities.

The Central development consists of: (1) A reservoir having a surface area of 15 acres and a storage capacity of 400 acre-feet, at a normal water surface elevation of 1,181 feet msl; (2) a 107-foot-long and 25-foot-high dam which contains a 70-foot-long and 25-foot-high spillway; (3) an intake structure; (4) a 30-foot-wide and 40-foot-long brick masonry powerhouse; (5) a vertical turbine rated at 720 hp under a head of 22 feet, connected to a 400-kW generator; (6) a tailrace; (7) a 40-foot-long, 2.4-kV transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities.

The Pisgah development consists of: (1) A reservoir having a surface area of 70 acres and storage capacity of 250 acre-feet at a normal water surface elevation of 1,156 feet msl; (2) a 493-foot-long concrete gravity and earthfill dam ranging in height from 21 feet to 38 feet which has (a) an earthfill dike, (b) a 123-foot-long and 38-foot-high concrete wing wall, (c) six spillway bays, (d) a 150-foot-long and 21-foot-high south earthfill embankment, and (e) a 220-foot-long and 38-foot-high north earthfill embankment; (3) an intake; (4) a 22-foot-wide and 32-foot-long reinforced concrete and brick masonry powerhouse; (5) a vertical turbine rated at 850 hp under a head of 25 feet, connected to a 520-kW generator; (6) a tailrace; (7) a 330-foot-long, 2.4-kV transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities.

The Dayton Hollow development consists of: (1) A reservoir having a surface area of 230 acres and a storage capacity of 5,000 acre-feet at a normal water surface elevation of 1,107 feet msl; (2) a 265-foot-long concrete and earthfill dam varying in height from 11 feet to 40 feet which contains (a) an 80-foot-long and 40-foot-high concrete spillway section, (b) a 95-foot-long and 11-foot-high east earthfill embankment, and (c) a 90-foot-long and 22-foot-high west earthfill embankment; (3) an intake structure; (4) a 22-foot-wide and 32-foot-long reinforced concrete and masonry powerhouse; (5) a vertical turbine rated at 800 hp under a head of 35 feet, connected to a 520-kW generator and a horizontal 650 hp turbine connected to a 450-kW generator; (6) a tailrace; (7) an 80-foot-long, 2.4-kV transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities.