

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held virtually. Information to participate can be found on the website closer to the meeting date at <https://science.osti.gov/About/PCAST/Meetings>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward McGinnis, Executive Director, PCAST, 202-456-6076 or PCAST@ostp.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PCAST is an advisory group of the nation's leading scientists and engineers, appointed by the President to augment the science and technology advice available to him from inside the White House, cabinet departments, and other Federal agencies. See the Executive Order at [whitehouse.gov](https://www.whitehouse.gov). PCAST is consulted about and provides analyses and recommendations concerning a wide range of issues where understandings from the domains of science, technology, and innovation may bear on the policy choices before the President. PCAST is chaired by Dr. Kelvin Droegemeier, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, The White House. The Designated Federal Officer is Ed McGinnis, Executive Director. Information about PCAST can be found at: <https://science.osti.gov/About/PCAST>.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Proposed Schedule and Tentative

Agenda: Discussions of the Subcommittee on American Global Leadership in Industries of the Future; Subcommittee on New Models of Engagement for Federal and National Laboratories in the Multi-Sector R&D Enterprise; and Subcommittee on Meeting National Needs for STEM Education and a Diverse, Multi-Sector Workforce.

Public Comments: It is the policy of the PCAST to accept written public comments no longer than 20 pages and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The PCAST expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements.

The public comment period for this meeting will take place on June 30, 2020 at a time specified in the meeting agenda. This public comment period is designed only for substantive commentary on PCAST's work, not for business marketing purposes.

Oral Comments: To be considered for the public speaker list at the meeting, interested parties should register to speak at PCAST@ostp.eop.gov, no later than 12:00 p.m., Eastern Time on June 22, 2020. To accommodate as many

speakers as possible, the time for public comments will be limited to two (2) minutes per person, with a total public comment period of up to 10 minutes. If more speakers register than there is space available on the agenda, PCAST will select speakers on a first-come, first-served basis from those who applied. Those not able to present oral comments may always file written comments with the committee.

Written Comments: Although written comments are accepted continuously, written comments should be submitted to PCAST@ostp.eop.gov no later than 12:00 p.m., Eastern Time on June 22, 2020 so that the comments may be made available to the PCAST members prior to this meeting for their consideration.

Please note that because PCAST operates under the provisions of FACA, all public comments and/or presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including being posted on the PCAST website.

Minutes: Minutes will be available within 45 days by emailing PCAST@ostp.eop.gov.

Signed in Washington, DC, on May 29, 2020.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-185-E]

Application To Export Electric Energy; Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc.

AGENCY: Office of Electricity, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc. (Applicant or MSCG) has applied for 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 July 6, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed by electronic mail to Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov, or by facsimile to (202) 586-8008.

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 42 U.S.C. 7172(f)). Such exports require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On July 8, 2015, DOE issued Order No. EA-185-D, which authorized MSCG to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities appropriate for open access. This authorization expires on August 21, 2020. On May 21, 2020, MSCG filed an application (Application or App.) with DOE for renewal of the export authorization contained in Order No. EA-185-D.

MSCG states that it "is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in New York, New York" and that it "is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Morgan Stanley." App. at 2. MSCG adds that it "does not directly own or control any electric generation or transmission facilities, nor does it hold a franchise or service territory for the transmission, distribution, or sale of electric power." *Id.* at 3.

MSCG further states that it "has purchased, or will purchase, the power that may be exported to Canada from wholesale generators, electric utilities, and federal power marketing agencies." App. at 6-7. MSCG contends that its proposed exports "will not impair the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States" and "will neither impede nor tend to impede" the operational reliability of the bulk power system. *Id.* at 1-2.

The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant 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).

Comments and other filings concerning MSCG's application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-185-E. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Edward Zabrocki, 1633 Broadway, 29th Floor, New York, NY 10019, Ed.Zabrocki@morganstanley.com; Daniel E. Frank, 700 Sixth St. NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001-3980, danielfrank@eversheds-sutherland.com; and Martha M. Hopkins, 700 Sixth St. NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001-3980, martyhopkins@eversheds-sutherland.com.

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, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Matthew Aronoff at matthew.aronoff@hq.doe.gov.

Signed in Washington, DC, on May 29, 2020.

Christopher Lawrence,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 4026-053]

Androscoggin Reservoir Company; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document (PAD), Commencement of Pre-Filing Process, and Scoping; Waiving Parts of the Pre-Filing Process; Request for Comments on the PAD and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for a New License and Commencing Pre-filing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 4026-053.

c. *Dated Filed:* March 30, 2020.

d. *Submitted By:* Androscoggin Reservoir Company (ARCO).

e. *Name of Project:* Aziscohos Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Magalloway River in Oxford County, Maine. The project does not occupy any federal land.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR part 5 of the Commission's Regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Randy Dorman, Brookfield Renewable, 150 Main Street, Lewiston, ME 04240; phone at (207) 755-5605, or email at Randy.Dorman@brookfieldrenewable.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Dr. Nicholas Palso at (202) 502-8854 or email at nicholas.palso@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item o below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See* 94 FERC 61,076 (2001).

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with: (a) The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR part 402; and (b) the Maine State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) as required by section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating ARCO as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. ARCO filed with the Commission a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule), pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the eLibrary link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19),

issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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, please contact FERC Online Support.

o. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and Commission staff's Scoping Document 1 (SD1), as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and SD1, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from Commission staff related to the merits of the potential application must be filed with the Commission.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file all documents 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. 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-4026-053.

All filings with the Commission must bear the appropriate heading: Comments on Pre-Application Document, Study Requests, Comments on Scoping Document 1, Request for Cooperating Agency Status, or Communications to and from Commission Staff. Any individual or entity interested in submitting study requests, commenting on the PAD or SD1, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so within 60 days of the date of this notice.

p. Although our current intent is to prepare an environmental assessment (EA), there is the possibility that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required. The scoping process will satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements, irrespective of whether an EA or EIS is issued by the Commission.