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Specifically, Rio Grande proposes to construct an LNG export terminal on the Port of Brownsville ship channel. The terminal will consist of six liquefaction trains with a total capacity of 3.6 Bcf per day, four LNG tanks capable of storing 15.26 Bcf of LNG, marine and truck loading facilities, and all necessary ancillary and support facilities.

Rio Bravo proposes to construct 139.4 miles of pipeline, three compressor stations and two booster stations totaling 600,000 hp, and associated facilities to deliver up to 4.5 Bcf per day of natural gas from the Agua Dulce Market area to the Rio Grande terminal. The facilities will be located in Jim Wells, Kleberg, Kenedy, Willacy and Cameron Counties, Texas. The pipeline facilities cost an estimated \$2,173,362,909.

On April 13, 2015, the Commission staff granted Rio Grande/Rio Bravo's request to use the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Pre-Filing Process and assigned Docket No. PF15-20-000 to staff activities involving the proposed facilities. Now, as of the filing of this application on May 5, 2016, the NEPA Pre-Filing Process for this project has ended. From this time forward, this proceeding will be conducted in Docket Nos. CP16-454-000 and CP16-455-000, as noted in the caption of this Notice.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding, or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to

complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 5 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right

to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Motions to intervene, protests and comments may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper; see, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time May 9, 2016.

Dated: May 19, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
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 exempt wholesale generator filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EG16-105-000.

*Applicants:* Portal Ridge Solar B, LLC.

*Description:* Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Portal Ridge Solar B, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520-5121.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

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

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-1819-015; ER10-1820-018; ER10-1818-013; ER10-1817-014.

*Applicants:* Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation, Public Service Company of Colorado, Southwestern Public Service Company.

*Description:* Notice of Change in Status of Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, et al.

*Filed Date:* 5/19/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160519-5213.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/9/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER14-1485-007.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* Compliance filing: Compliance filing per 4/22/2016 order in Docket Nos. EL15-18, ER14-1485 et al to be effective 12/31/9998.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520-5070.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16-829-001.

*Applicants:* Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

*Description:* Limited Comment of Kansas City Power & Light Company and Nebraska Public Power District on SPP Response to Deficiency Letter.

*Filed Date:* 5/19/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160519–5228.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/9/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1747–000.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Service Agreement No. 4460, Queue Position AA2–180 to be effective 4/20/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5067.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1748–000.

*Applicants:* Southern California Edison Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2016 Revised Added Facilities Rate under TO—Filing No. 5 to be effective 1/1/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5077.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1749–000.

*Applicants:* Southern California Edison Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Amended LGIA Revised Added Facilities Rate Mojave Solar LLC to be effective 1/1/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5078

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1750–000.

*Applicants:* Eastern Shore Solar LLC.

*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Baseline Filing—Market-Based Rate Tariff to be effective 7/19/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5114.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1751–000.

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

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: NYISO 205 filing: ICAP Demand Curve Periodic Review Enhancements to be effective 7/19/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5119.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1752–000.

*Applicants:* Americhoice Energy OH, LLC.

*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Americhoice Energy OH, LLC Market Based Rate Tariff to be effective 5/20/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5131.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1753–000.

*Applicants:* Americhoice Energy IL, LLC.

*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Americhoice Energy IL, LLC Market Based Rate Tariff to be effective 5/20/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5134.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–1754–000.

*Applicants:* Americhoice Energy PA, LLC.

*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Americhoice Energy, PA LLC, Market Based Rate Tariff to be effective 5/20/2016.

*Filed Date:* 5/20/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160520–5159.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 6/10/16.

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: May 20, 2016.

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

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM93–11–000]

#### Revisions to Oil Pipeline Regulations Pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 1992; Notice of Annual Change in the Producer Price Index for Finished Goods

The Commission's regulations include a methodology for oil pipelines to change their rates through use of an index system that establishes ceiling levels for such rates. The Commission bases the index system, found at 18 CFR 342.3, on the annual change in the Producer Price Index for Finished Goods (PPI–FG), plus one point two three percent (PPI–FG + 1.23). The

Commission determined in an *Order Establishing Index Level*,<sup>1</sup> issued December 17, 2015, that PPI–FG + 1.23 is the appropriate oil pricing index factor for pipelines to use for the five-year period commencing July 1, 2016.

The regulations provide that the Commission will publish annually, an index figure reflecting the final change in the PPI–FG, after the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes the final PPI–FG in May of each calendar year. The annual average PPI–FG index figures were 200.4 for 2014 and 193.9 for 2015.<sup>2</sup> Thus, the percent change (expressed as a decimal) in the annual average PPI–FG from 2014 to 2015, plus 1.23 percent, is negative 0.020135.<sup>3</sup> Oil pipelines must multiply their July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, index ceiling levels by positive 0.979865<sup>4</sup> to compute their index ceiling levels for July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, in accordance with 18 CFR 342.3(d). For guidance in calculating the ceiling levels for each 12-month period beginning January 1, 1995,<sup>5</sup> see *Explorer Pipeline Company*, 71 FERC ¶ 61,416 at n.6 (1995).

In addition to publishing the full text of this Notice in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print this Notice via the Internet through FERC's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) and in FERC's Public Reference Room during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time) at 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426. The full text of this Notice is available on FERC's Home Page at the eLibrary link. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field and follow other directions on the search page.

User assistance is available for eLibrary and other aspects of FERC's

<sup>1</sup> 153 FERC ¶ 61,312 at P 52 (2015).

<sup>2</sup> Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) publishes the final figure in mid-May of each year. This figure is publicly available from the Division of Industrial Prices and Price Indexes of the BLS, at 202–691–7705, and in print in August in Table 1 of the annual data supplement to the BLS publication *Producer Price Indexes* via the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/ppi/home.htm>. To obtain the BLS data, scroll down to "PPI Databases" and click on "Top Picks" of the Commodity Data including "headline" FD–ID indexes (Producer Price Index—PPI). At the next screen, under the heading "Producer Price Index Commodity Data," select the box, "Finished goods—WPUFD49207," then scroll to the bottom of this screen and click on Retrieve data.

<sup>3</sup>  $[193.9 - 200.4]/200.4 = -0.032435 + 0.0123 = -0.020135$ .

<sup>4</sup>  $1 - 0.020135 = 0.979865$ .

<sup>5</sup> For a listing of all prior multipliers issued by the Commission, see the Commission's Web site, <http://www.ferc.gov/industries/oil/gen-info/pipeline-index.asp>.