

and Initial Tariff Filing to be effective 12/3/2015.

*Filed Date:* 1/13/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160113–5236.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/27/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16–730–000.

*Applicants:* PacifiCorp.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Basin Electric NITSA Rev 3 to be effective 1/1/2016.

*Filed Date:* 1/14/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160114–5290.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 2/4/16.

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

*Docket Numbers:* ES16–19–000.

*Applicants:* Union Electric Company.

*Description:* Application of Union Electric Company for Section 204 financing authority.

*Filed Date:* 1/14/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160114–5303.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 2/4/16.

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: January 14, 2016.

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

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. P–14721–000]

#### The City of Springfield; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On October 13, 2015, the City of Springfield, Massachusetts (Springfield)

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 Watershops Pond Dam Hydroelectric Project (project) to be located on the Mill River, near Springfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts. 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: (1) The existing 105-foot-long, 32-foot-high, concrete and masonry gravity Watershops Pond dam; (2) an existing 198-acre impoundment with a normal maximum water surface elevation of 155 feet above mean sea level; (3) a new 7-foot-long, 4-foot-wide steel penstock; (4) a new 100-foot-long, 30-foot-wide powerhouse containing a single turbine generator unit with an installed capacity of 145 kilowatts; (5) a new 800-foot-long, 0.48-kilovolt transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated average annual energy generation of 707 megawatt-hours. There are no federal lands associated with the project.

*Applicant Contact:* Mr. Peter J. Garvey, Director, Department of Capital Asset Construction, 36 Court Street, Room 312, Springfield, Massachusetts 01103; phone: (413) 787–6445.

*FERC Contact:* Michael Watts; phone: (202) 502–6123; email: [michael.watts@ferc.gov](mailto:michael.watts@ferc.gov).

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–14721–000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P–14721) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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#### Notice of Termination of Requirement To File Fourth Quarter 2015 Land Acquisition Reports

Take notice that sellers with market-based rate authority need not submit reports for the fourth quarter of 2015 documenting the acquisition of control of sites for new generation capacity development (land acquisition reports). Order No. 816,<sup>1</sup> which will become effective on January 28, 2016, terminates the requirement to submit such reports. Therefore, land acquisition reports for the fourth quarter of 2015, which would have been due on January 30, 2016, are not required.

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*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. P–14743–000]

#### ORPC Maine, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On December 4, 2015, ORPC Maine, LLC (ORPC Maine) filed an application

<sup>1</sup> *Refinements to Policies and Procedures for Market-Based Rates for Wholesale Sales of Electric Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services by Public Utilities*, Order No. 816, 80 FR 67,056 (Oct. 30, 2015), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,374 (2015).