

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

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 for Environmental Review 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.

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 commenter 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.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the eFiling link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Dated: October 12, 2017.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

#### Filings Instituting Proceedings

*Docket Number:* PR18-1-000.

*Applicants:* Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b),(e)/: COH SOC effective 9-28-2017; Filing Type: 980.

*Filed Date:* 10/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 201710105248.

*Comments/Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 10/31/17.

*Docket Number:* PR18-2-000.

*Applicants:* Acacia Natural Gas, L.L.C.

*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b)(2)+(g): Acacia Natural Gas Petition for Rate Approval to be effective 11/1/2017; Filing Type: 1310.

*Filed Date:* 10/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 201710105329.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 10/31/17.

*284.123(g) Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 12/11/17.

*Docket Numbers:* RP18-27-000.

*Applicants:* Empire Pipeline, Inc.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: GT&C 18 and Other Minor Changes to be effective 11/9/2017.

*Filed Date:* 10/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20171010-5290.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 10/23/17.

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 date(s). 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER18-53-000]

#### Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization; CXA La Paloma, LLC

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding CXA La Paloma, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is November 1, 2017.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for electronic review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

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*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2299-082]

#### Notice of Amended Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Licensing and Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments; Turlock Irrigation District and Modesto Irrigation District, California

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.:* 2299-082.

c. *Date Filed:* October 11, 2017.

d. *Applicant:* Turlock Irrigation District and Modesto Irrigation District, California.

e. *Name of Project:* Don Pedro Hydropower Project.

f. *Location:* The Don Pedro Project is located on the Tuolumne River in Tuolumne County, California. Portions of the project occupy public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 79 (a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contacts:* Steve Boyd, Turlock Irrigation District, 333 East Canal Drive, Turlock, California 95381-

0949, (209) 883-8300; and Anna Brathwaite, Modesto Irrigation District, P.O. Box 4060, Modesto, CA 95352, (209) 526-7384.

i. *FERC Contact:* Jim Hastreiter at (503) 552-2760 or [james.hastreiter@ferc.gov](mailto:james.hastreiter@ferc.gov).

j. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

k. *The Project Description:*

#### Don Pedro Dam and Reservoir

The primary project feature is Don Pedro Dam, a 1,900-foot-long and 580-foot-high zoned earth and rockfill structure. The top of the dam is at elevation 855 feet mean sea level (msl).

Don Pedro Reservoir extends upstream for approximately 24 miles at the normal maximum water surface elevation of 830 feet (msl). The surface area of the reservoir at the 830-foot elevation is approximately 12,960 acres and the gross storage capacity is 2,030,000 acre-feet.

#### Don Pedro Spillway

Don Pedro Spillway is divided into two sections, one gated and one ungated, located immediately adjacent to one another in a saddle area west of the main dam. The gated spillway section is 135-foot-long, with a permanent crest elevation of 800 feet, and includes three radial gates each 45 feet wide by 30 feet high. The ungated spillway is an ogee section 995 feet long with a crest elevation of 830 feet msl and a top of abutment elevation of 855 feet msl. The spillway capacity at a reservoir water level of 850 feet msl is 472,500 cubic feet per second (cfs). Flow releases over the ungated ogee-crest section of the spillway have occurred only once since project construction, in early January 1997. Flows at the spillway are released to Gasburg Creek, which in turn flows into Twin Gulch, and then back into the Tuolumne River approximately 1.5 miles downstream of the main dam.

#### Outlet Works

The project facilities include a set of outlet works located at the left (east) abutment of the main dam. The outlet works consist of three individual gate housings, each containing two 4-foot-by-5-foot slide gates. The outlet works are situated in a 3,500-foot-long concrete lined tunnel that originally served as the water diversion tunnel during project construction. The inlet to the tunnel has an invert elevation of 342 feet msl and the outlet, which is located approximately 400 feet downstream of the powerhouse, has an invert of 310 feet. At a reservoir water surface elevation of 830 feet msl, the total

hydraulic capacity of the outlet works is 7,500 cfs.

#### Power Intake and Tunnel

Flows are delivered from the reservoir to the powerhouse via a 2,960-foot-long power tunnel located in the left (east) abutment of the main dam. The tunnel transitions from an 18-foot 6-inch concrete-lined section to a 16-foot steel-lined section. Emergency closure can be provided by a 21-foot-high by 12-foot-wide fixed-wheel gate that is operated from a chamber at the top of the gate shaft. Flows from the power tunnel are delivered to the four-unit powerhouse and a hollow-jet control valve in the powerhouse.

#### Powerhouse

Located immediately downstream of the main dam, the Don Pedro powerhouse contains four turbine-generator units and a 72-inch hollow jet valve. The reinforced-concrete powerhouse is 171 feet long, 110 feet high and 148 feet wide. It houses four Francis turbine generator units with a nameplate capacity of 168 megawatts (MW) and a maximum output at optimum conditions of approximately 203 MW. Combined hydraulic capacity of the four units under maximum head is approximately 5,500 cfs.

The powerhouse also contains a 72-inch hollow jet valve located in the east end of the powerhouse with a centerline elevation at discharge of 299 feet msl. The hydraulic capacity of the hollow jet valve is 3,000 cfs. While turbine Units 1 through 3 discharge directly to the river channel, Unit 4 discharges to the outlet works tunnel approximately 250 feet upstream of the tunnel outlet. Water to Unit 4 is delivered through a bifurcation from the hollow jet valve pipe. With Unit 4 in operation, the hollow-jet valve capacity is reduced from 3,000 cfs to 800 cfs. The powerhouse tailwater during turbine operation varies from a low elevation of about 298 feet msl to a high elevation of about 303 feet msl under normal operating conditions. The tailwater elevation at the outlet works tunnel is approximately 300 feet msl.

#### Switchyard

The project switchyard is located atop the powerhouse at elevation 340 feet msl. The switchyard provides power delivery and electrical protection to the Districts' transmission systems. The switchyard includes isolated phase buses, circuit breakers, and four transformers that raise the 13.8 kilovolt (kV) generator voltage to 69 kV transmission voltage.