

ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. All written comments will be available for public inspection on regulations.gov.

Dated: May 15, 2018.

Erin Dahlin,

Deputy Chief of Program Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for OMB review and comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance, a proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed collection, titled the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Commercialization Survey will satisfy the program requirements of the Small Business Act, including requirements established in the SBIR program reauthorization legislation. DOE will collect the survey data via web-enabled software and provide it to the Small Business Administration (SBA) to maintain information about the DOE SBIR/STTR awards issued through the two programs. This data will be provided by DOE based on information collected from SBIR/STTR awardees. This data

will be used by DOE, SBA, and Congress to assess the commercial impact of these two programs. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the DOE Desk Officer at OMB of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202-395-1254 or emailed at james.n.tyree@omb.eop.gov.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before June 21, 2018. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503

And to: Claudia Cantoni, SBIR/STTR Programs Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290 or by email at claudia.cantoni@science.doe.gov or by fax at (301) 903-5488.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Claudia Cantoni by email at claudia.cantoni@science.doe.gov or by fax at (301) 903-5488.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. 1910-5166; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Commercialization Survey; (3) Type of Request: Three year extension; (4) Purpose: The DOE needs this information to satisfy the program requirements of the Small Business Act, including requirements established in the SBIR program reauthorization legislation, Public Law 106-554 and Public Law 107-50. This data will be collected by the DOE and provided to the Small Business Administration (SBA) to maintain information about SBIR/STTR awards issued through the two programs. This data will be provided by DOE based on information collected from SBIR/STTR awardees. This data will be used by DOE, SBA, and Congress to assess the commercial impact of these two programs; (5) Annual

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,500; (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 2,500; (7) Annual

Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 2,500; (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$120,000.

Statutory Authority: Section 9 of the Small Business Act, as amended, codified at 15 U.S.C. 638(g).

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 2, 2018.

Manny Oliver,

SBIR/STTR Programs Director, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-453]

Application To Export Electric Energy; Matador Power Marketing, Inc.

AGENCY: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Matador Power Marketing, Inc. (Matador or Applicant) has applied for authority 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 June 21, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed to: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be transmitted by overnight mail, by electronic mail to Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov, or by facsimile to 202-586-8008.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated by the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b), 7172(f)) and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On May 1, 2018, DOE received an application from Matador for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities.

In its application, Matador states that it does not own or control any electric generation or transmission facilities, and it does not have a franchised service

area. The electric energy that the Applicant proposes to export to Canada would be surplus energy purchased from third parties such as electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies pursuant to voluntary agreements. 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 Procedures (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning Matador's application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-453. An additional copy is to be provided to both Ruta Kalvaitis Skučas, Pierce Atwood LLC, 1875 K St. NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006 and Diana Stoica, Matador Power Marketing, Inc., 523 Soudan Avenue, Toronto, ON M4S 1X1.

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 a determination is made by DOE 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, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Angela Troy at Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 10, 2018.

Christopher Lawrence,

Electricity Policy Analyst, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Nuclear Security Administration

Withdrawal of the Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Operation of a Biosafety Level 3 Facility at Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico

AGENCY: National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.
ACTION: Notice of intent; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: On November 29, 2005, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), a semi-autonomous agency within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), announced its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in accordance with National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) to evaluate the operation of a Biosafety Level (BSL)-3 Facility at LANL. NNSA has determined that, at this point in time, it does not have a need to operate a BSL-3 Facility at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), in Los Alamos, New Mexico. Therefore, NNSA is withdrawing the Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS and is terminating the NEPA EIS process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Wolf, Deputy Director, Office of Public Affairs, National Nuclear Security Administration. Phone (202) 586-2561 or via email at gregory.wolf@nnsa.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NNSA published a notice of intent to prepare an EIS in the November 29, 2005, issue of the **Federal Register** (70 FR 71490). In 2002, NNSA prepared an Environmental Assessment for the construction and operation of the Facility. On February 26, 2002, NNSA issued an Environmental Assessment and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the construction and operation of the BSL-3 Facility.

Construction on the windowless, single-story, 3,200-square foot BSL-3 Facility, housing one BSL-2 laboratory, and two BSL-3 laboratories began in late 2002, and was completed in the fall of 2003. After completion of the NEPA process and BSL-3 Facility construction, NNSA determined there were seismic concerns that had not been adequately analyzed during the design of the BSL-3 Facility. As a result, in February 2004, NNSA withdrew the FONSI with respect to the operation of the BSL-3 Facility and subsequently decided to prepare an environmental impact statement. The EIS would have

evaluated the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed Federal action and reasonable alternatives. NNSA is now terminating the NEPA EIS process.

Issued in Washington, DC, this 4th day of May, 2018.

Lisa E. Gordon-Hagerty,

Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

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

Docket Numbers: ER11-4267-011; ER10-2738-005; ER11-113-012; ER11-4269-012; ER11-4270-011; ER11-4694-008; ER12-1680-009; ER14-1282-002; ER15-2631-007; ER16-2169-003; ER16-2364-003; ER16-2412-006; ER16-2703-004; ER17-2084-002; ER17-692-002.

Applicants: Algonquin Energy Services Inc., Algonquin Power Sanger LLC, Algonquin Power Windsor Locks LLC, Algonquin SKIC 20 Solar, LLC, Algonquin SKIC 10 Solar, LLC, Algonquin Tinker Gen Co., Deerfield Wind Energy, LLC, GSG 6, LLC, Liberty Utilities (Granite State Electric) Corp., Luning Energy LLC, Minonk Wind, LLC, Odell Wind Farm, LLC, Sandy Ridge Wind, LLC, The Empire District Electric Company, Great Bay Solar I, LLC.

Description: Supplement to April 9, 2018 Notice of Change in Status of Algonquin Energy Services Inc., et al.

Filed Date: 5/15/18.

Accession Number: 20180515-5353.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 6/5/18.

Docket Numbers: ER13-618-012; ER12-2570-013.

Applicants: Panther Creek Power Operating, LLC, Westwood Generation LLC, Westwood Generation, LLC.

Description: Supplement to June 30, 2017 Triennial Report for the Northeast Region of Westwood Generation LLC, et al.

Filed Date: 5/16/18.

Accession Number: 20180516-5097.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 6/6/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18-855-000.

Applicants: Panoche Valley Solar, LLC.

Description: Report Filing; Refund Report of Panoche Valley Solar, LLC to be effective N/A.