

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments to Steven Grape, U.S. Energy Information Administration, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, EI-24 Washington, DC 20585.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Steven Grape, telephone 202-586-1868, fax at (202) 586-4420, or by email at [steven.grape@eia.gov](mailto:steven.grape@eia.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This information collection request contains:

- (1) OMB No. 1905-0057;
- (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Oil and Gas Reserves System;
- (3) *Type of Request:* Renewal with changes;
- (4) *Purpose:* Information reported on Form EIA-23L is used to provide national and regional estimates on the proved reserves of crude oil, natural gas, and natural gas liquids. Data collected on this form include proved reserves and production for crude oil, lease condensate, and natural gas by state and federal offshore regions. Information reported on Form EIA-64A is used to generate EIA's state-level and federal offshore estimates of dry natural gas reserves and production (natural gas that remains after natural gas liquids are extracted). EIA releases annual reserves and production estimates through its website. These data are also used in EIA reports concerning U.S. crude oil, natural gas, and natural gas liquids reserves, and are incorporated in a number of other reports and analyses such as EIA's *Annual Energy Review*, *Annual Energy Outlook*, *Petroleum Supply Annual*, and *Natural Gas Annual*.

Congress and other federal agencies rely on the objective analysis, quality, reliability, and usefulness of EIA's crude oil and natural gas reserves estimates. These federal agencies include: The U.S. Department of Energy; Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Department of Interior; Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; and the Securities and Exchange Commission. Each federal agency uses EIA's estimates on proved reserves for their official use to meet their data needs. EIA's published estimates on proved reserves of domestic crude oil and natural gas are essential to the development, implementation, and evaluation of energy policy and legislation. There are no proposed changes to Forms EIA-23L and EIA-23S.

(4a) *Proposed Changes to Information Collection:* EIA proposes to collect the following additional information on Form EIA-64A, *Annual Report of the*

#### *Origin of Natural Gas Liquids Production:*

- Section 2. Add Item 2.1 to collect the total outlet volume of residue natural gas produced and add Item 2.3 to collect the volume of residue natural gas sent to a pipeline. Add Item 2.4: The amount of electricity consumed annually at the natural gas plant. The number of natural gas processing plants that are 100% electrically-powered is increasing. Federal air quality restrictions imposed on sources of combustion emissions is one reason for the increasing trend in using electricity as a power source rather than relying on natural gas as a fuel for processing and other plant operations.

- Section 3.0, Add Item 3.1C: The annual total of natural gas liquids (NGL) reported separately by components or products produced at the natural gas processing plant by Area of Origin in Section 3 of Form EIA-64A. Currently, only the total plant NGL volume shown on Line 4.8 is reported by Area of Origin.

- Delete the data element Gas Shrinkage Resulting from Natural Gas Liquids Extracted currently shown as Item 5.0 on Form EIA-64A. Respondents currently report their estimate of the volumes of gas shrinkage in millions of cubic feet (MMCF) caused from the removal of natural gas liquids from the natural gas received at the plant. Respondents will no longer need to report this information. The shrinkage volumes for a respondent will be calculated by EIA using the component data reported in Section 3.

- The burden per response for Form EIA-64A changed from 6 hours to 4 hours. Cognitive research showed that the weighted average time estimate to gather and report information on the proposed modified new Form EIA-64A was less than 3 hours. The majority of the information reported on this form is information that companies customarily track in the normal course of their business activities. Some companies may take longer than 3 hours to complete Form EIA-64A so EIA extended the burden per response estimate to 4 hours to account for some companies that may require additional time.

The mode of reporting information will also change. Operators will be required to log in to the *EIA Data xChange Portal* to report their information and submit Form EIA-64A. By identifying and selecting each plant within the portal, respondent information will be populated automatically in order to reduce reporting burden.

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,644;

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 1,644;

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 29,252;

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* EIA estimates that there are no capital and start-up costs associated with this data collection. The information is maintained in the normal course of business. The cost of burden hours is estimated to be \$2,214,084 (29,252 burden hours times \$75.69 per hour). Therefore, other than the cost of burden hours, EIA estimates that there are no additional costs for generating, maintaining and providing the information.

Comments are invited on these proposed changes and: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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.

**Statutory Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 772(b), 15 U.S.C. 790(a), and the DOE Organization Act of 1977, 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*

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**Nanda Srinivasan,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER18-2159-000]

#### **Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization; Crazy Mountain Wind LLC**

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Crazy Mountain Wind 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 August 27, 2018.

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 website 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.

Dated: August 6, 2018.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2628-065]

#### **Alabama Power Company; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document (PAD), Commencement of Pre-Filing Process, and Scoping; 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.:* 2628-065.

c. *Dated Filed:* June 1, 2018.

d. *Submitted By:* Alabama Power Company (Alabama Power).

e. *Name of Project:* R.L. Harris Hydroelectric Project (Harris Project).

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Tallapoosa River the City of Lineville in Randolph, Clay, and Cleburne Counties, Alabama. The project also includes land within the James D. Martin-Skyline Wildlife Management Area located approximately 110 miles north of Harris Reservoir in Jackson County, Alabama. The project occupies 4.90 acres of federal land administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

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

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Angie Anderegg, Harris Relicensing Project Manager, Alabama Power Company, 600 18th Street, Birmingham, AL 35203; (205) 257-2251 or [ARSEGARS@southernco.com](mailto:ARSEGARS@southernco.com).

i. *FERC Contact:* Sarah Salazar at (202) 502-6863 or email at [sarah.salazar@ferc.gov](mailto:sarah.salazar@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 State Historic

Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, 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 Alabama Power 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. Alabama Power 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. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website (<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. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in paragraph h.

Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy