The EA Process

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils;
- land use;
- water resources, fisheries, and wetlands;
- cultural resources;
- vegetation and wildlife;
- air quality and noise;
- endangered and threatened species;
- public safety; and
- cumulative impacts.

Commission staff will also evaluate reasonable alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

The EA will present Commission staff's independent analysis of the issues. The EA will be available in the public record through eLibrary.\(^2\) Commission staff will consider and address all comments on the EA before making recommendations to the Commission. To ensure Commission staff have the opportunity to address your comments, please carefully follow the instructions in the Public Participation section, beginning on page 2.

With this notice, the Commission is asking agencies with jurisdiction by law and/or special expertise with respect to the environmental issues of this project to formally cooperate in the preparation of the EA.\(^3\) Agencies that would like to request cooperating agency status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided under the Public Participation section of this notice.

Consultation Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act

In accordance with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation’s implementing regulations for section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Commission is using this notice to initiate consultation with the applicable State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), and to solicit their views and those of other government agencies, interested Indian tribes, and the public on the project’s potential effects on historic properties.\(^4\)

\(^2\) For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the last page of this notice.

\(^3\) The Council on Environmental Quality regulations addressing cooperating agency responsibilities are at Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1501.6.

\(^4\) The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation’s regulations are at Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 800. Those regulations define historic properties as any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Commission staff will define the project-specific Area of Potential Effects (APE) in consultation with the SHPO as the project develops. On natural gas facility projects, the APE at a minimum encompasses all areas subject to ground disturbance (examples include construction right-of-way, contractor/pipe storage yards, compressor stations, and access roads). The EA for this project will document findings on the impacts on historic properties and summarize the status of consultations under section 106.

Environmental Mailing List

The environmental mailing list includes federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; Native American Tribes; and local libraries and newspapers. This list also includes all affected landowners (as defined in the Commission’s regulations) who are potential right-of-way grantors, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, or who own homes within certain distances of aboveground facilities, and anyone who submits comments on the project. Commission staff will update the environmental mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that information related to this environmental review is sent to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed project.

As stated above, the EA will be available in the public record through the Commission’s eLibrary, under the Docket Number CP18–533–000.

Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission’s Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208–FERC, or on the FERC website at www.ferc.gov using the “eLibrary” link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on “General Search” and enter the docket number in the “Docket Number” field, excluding the last three digits (i.e., CP18–533). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp.

Finally, public sessions or site visits will be posted on the Commission’s calendar located at www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx along with other related information.

Dated: September 6, 2018.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14872–000]

Peterson Machinery Sales; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On March 19, 2018, Peterson Machinery Sales filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Hubbardston Hydroelectric Project (project) to be located on the Fish Creek, near Hubbardston, in Ionia County, Michigan. 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 be located at the site of an existing, non-operational hydroelectric project previously operated by Hope Renewable Energy, LLC without a Commission license. The proposed run-of-river project will involve rehabilitation and upgrade of the following existing facilities: (1) A 60-acre, 600-acre-foot reservoir with normal surface elevation of 850 feet mean sea level; (2) a 350-foot-long, 25 to 30-foot-high combination dam and spillway incorporating a 80-foot-long, 12-foot-wide intake channel; (3) a 30-foot-long, 20-foot-wide, 25-foot-high powerhouse containing two Francis turbines and...
associated generators with a combined installed capacity of 400 kilowatts; (4) a 600-foot-long tailrace; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The estimated average annual generation of the project would be 3,500 megawatt-hours that would be conveyed from the powerhouse to the grid via a transmission line owned by Consumers Energy.

**Applicant Contact:** Charles R. Peterson, 804 Gila Bend Highway, Casa Grande, Arizona 85122, phone (231) 649–8706.

**FERC Contact:** Sergiu Serban, (202) 502–6211.

Deadline for filing comments, 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 OnlineSupport@ferc.gov. (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–14872–000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the “eLibrary” link of Commission’s website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P–14872) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

**Dated:** September 6, 2018.

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

Deputy Secretary.

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Langdon Renewables, LLC, Rush Springs Energy Storage, LLC, Origs Energy, Palmer’s Creek Wind Farm, LLC, Meadowlark Wind I LLC, Foard City Wind, LLC, Torrecillas Wind Energy, LLC, Holloman Lessee LLC, Softfuture Gestion, S.L.U., Glicinia Instalaciones Fotovoltaicas, S.L.U.; Notice of Effectiveness of Exempt Wholesale Generator and Foreign Utility Company Status

Take notice that during the month of August 2018, the status of the above-captioned entities as Exempt Wholesale Generators or Foreign Utility Companies became effective by operation of the Commission’s regulations. 18 CFR 366.7(a)(2018).

Dated: September 6, 2018.

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

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**Combined Notice of Filings #1**

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

**Docket Numbers:** EC18–151–000.

**Applicants:** Breckinridge Wind Project, LLC, Carousel Wind Farm, LLC, Cottonwood Wind Project, LLC, Golden Hills North Wind, LLC, Golden Hills Interconnection, LLC, Kingman Wind Energy I, LLC, Kingman Wind Energy II, LLC, Mountaintop Solar, LLC, NextEra Energy Bluff Point, LLC, Numinasch Wind Energy, LLC, Rush Springs Wind Energy, LLC, NEP US SellCo, LLC, NEP Renewables Holdings, LLC.

Description: Joint Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act of Breckinridge Wind Project, LLC, et al.

**Filed Date:** 9/5/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180905–5102.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/26/18.

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

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2379–000.

**Applicants:** PJM Interconnection, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 3rd Rev RSA SA No. 3837; 2nd Rev RSA SA No. 3838; Queue X4–048/Y2–089/AA1–077 to be effective 8/6/2018.

**Filed Date:** 9/5/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180905–5101.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/26/18.

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2380–000.

**Applicants:** California Independent System Operator Corporation.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2018–09–05 Dispatch Operating Target Clarification Amendment to be effective 11/6/2018.

**Filed Date:** 9/6/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180906–5000.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/27/18.

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2381–000.

**Applicants:** Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: Annual Calculation of the Cost of New Entry value (“CONE”) for each Local Resource Zone (“LRZ”) in the MISO Region of Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

**Filed Date:** 9/5/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180905–5136.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/26/18.

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2382–000.

**Applicants:** Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Revisions to Attachment AP to Remove References to SPP as Regional Entity to be effective 9/1/2018.

**Filed Date:** 9/5/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180905–5137.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/26/18.

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2383–000.

**Applicants:** Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Bylaws and Membership Agreement Revisions to Remove References to SPP RE to be effective 9/1/2018.

**Filed Date:** 9/5/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180905–5147.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/26/18.

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2384–000.

**Applicants:** Ameren Illinois Company.

Description: Notice of Cancellation of Rate Schedule No. 43 of Ameren Illinois Company.

**Filed Date:** 9/5/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180905–5148.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/26/18.

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2385–000.

**Applicants:** Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Bylaws and Membership Agreement Revisions to Remove References to SPP RE to be effective 9/1/2018.

**Filed Date:** 9/5/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180905–5149.

**Comments Due:** 5 p.m. ET 9/26/18.

**Docket Numbers:** ER18–2386–000.

**Applicants:** Westar Energy, Inc. NITSA NOA to be effective 9/27/2018.

**Filed Date:** 9/6/18.

**Accession Number:** 20180906–5059.