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(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments or protests by mailing them to the following address below. Your written comments must reference the Project docket number (CP26–57–000).

*To file via USPS:* Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

*To file via any other courier:* Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments (options 1 and 2 above) and has eFiling staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov).

Persons who comment on the environmental review of this project will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, and will receive notification when the environmental documents (EA or EIS) are issued for this project and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process.

The Commission considers all comments received about the project in determining the appropriate action to be taken. *However, the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding.* To become a party, you must intervene in the proceeding. For instructions on how to intervene, see below.

### Interventions

Any person, which includes individuals, organizations, businesses, municipalities, and other entities,<sup>6</sup> has the option to file a motion to intervene in this proceeding. Only intervenors have the right to request rehearing of Commission orders issued in this proceeding and to subsequently challenge the Commission's orders in the U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeal.

To intervene, you must submit a motion to intervene to the Commission in accordance with Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure<sup>7</sup> and the regulations under

the NGA<sup>8</sup> by the intervention deadline for the project, which is 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 30, 2026. As described further in Rule 214, your motion to intervene must state, to the extent known, your position regarding the proceeding, as well as your interest in the proceeding. For an individual, this could include your status as a landowner, ratepayer, resident of an impacted community, or recreationist. You do not need to have property directly impacted by the project in order to intervene. For more information about motions to intervene, refer to the FERC website at <https://www.ferc.gov/resources/guides/how-to/intervene.asp>.

There are two ways to submit your motion to intervene. In both instances, please reference the Project docket number CP26–57–000 in your submission.

(1) You may file your motion to intervene by using the Commission's eFiling feature, which is located on the Commission's website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to Documents and Filings. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making; first select "General" and then select "Intervention." The eFiling feature includes a document-less intervention option; for more information, visit <https://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/document-less-intervention.pdf>; or

(2) You can file a paper copy of your motion to intervene, along with three copies, by mailing the documents to the address below. Your motion to intervene must reference the Project docket number CP26–57–000.

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Protests and motions to intervene must be served on the applicant either by mail at: Greg Riddle, D2 Energy, LLC, P.O. Box 3266, Clarksville, Tennessee 37043, or by email (with a link to the document) at [griddle@d2energyllc.net](mailto:griddle@d2energyllc.net). Any subsequent submissions by an intervenor must be served on the applicant and all other parties to the proceeding. Contact information for

parties can be downloaded from the service list at the eService link on FERC Online. Service can be via email with a link to the document.

All timely, unopposed<sup>9</sup> motions to intervene are automatically granted by operation of Rule 214(c)(1).<sup>10</sup> Motions to intervene that are filed after the intervention deadline are untimely, and may be denied. Any late-filed motion to intervene must show good cause for being late and must explain why the time limitation should be waived and provide justification by reference to factors set forth in Rule 214(d) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.<sup>11</sup> A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies (paper or electronic) of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties.

### Tracking the Proceeding

Throughout the proceeding, additional information about the project will be available from OPP at (202) 502–6595 or on the FERC website at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov) using the "eLibrary" link as described above. 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. For more information and to register, go to [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

*Intervention Deadline:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 30, 2026.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

Dated: January 9, 2026.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**  
Secretary.

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval,

<sup>9</sup> The applicant has 15 days from the submittal of a motion to intervene to file a written objection to the intervention.

<sup>10</sup> 18 CFR 385.214(c)(1).

<sup>11</sup> 18 CFR 385.214(b)(3) and (d).

<sup>6</sup> 18 CFR 385.102(d).

<sup>7</sup> 18 CFR 385.214.

<sup>8</sup> 18 CFR 157.10.

pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The public portions of the applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, if any, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank(s) indicated below and at the offices of the Board of Governors. This information may also be obtained on an expedited basis, upon request, by contacting the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank and from the Board's Freedom of Information Office at <https://www.federalreserve.gov/foia/request.htm>. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)).

Comments received are subject to public disclosure. In general, comments received will be made available without change and will not be modified to remove personal or business information including confidential, contact, or other identifying information. Comments should not include any information such as confidential information that would not be appropriate for public disclosure.

Comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors, Benjamin W. McDonough, Deputy Secretary of the Board, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20551-0001, not later than February 13, 2026.

*A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis* (Holly A. Rieser, Senior Manager) P.O. Box 442, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034. Comments can also be sent electronically to

[Comments.applications@stls.frb.org](mailto:Comments.applications@stls.frb.org):

1. *Rhineland Bancshares, Inc., Rhineland, Missouri*; to merge with Bancstar, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire Pacific Bancstar, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, and Bank Star, Pacific, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**Michele Taylor Fennell,**

*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

#### Notice of Opportunity for Hearing on Compliance of Minnesota State Plan Provisions Concerning Program Integrity and Fraud, Waste, and Abuse With Title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of opportunity for a hearing; compliance of Minnesota Medicaid State Plan—program integrity requirements relating to prevention, detection, and investigation of fraud, waste, and abuse.

**DATES:** Requests to participate in the hearing as a party must be received by the presiding officer within 15 days of the date of this **Federal Register** notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Benjamin R. Cohen, Hearing Officer, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7111 Security Boulevard, Suite B1-15-15, Baltimore, MD 21244, 410-786-3169.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice announces the opportunity, pursuant to section 1904 of the Social Security Act (the Act), for an administrative hearing concerning the finding of the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) that the State of Minnesota is substantially out of compliance with federal requirements in section 1902(a)(64) of the Act and federal regulations at 42 CFR part 455, subpart A, which implement various provisions of Title XIX of the Act, including section 1902(a)(4). in administering its Medicaid state plan because the Minnesota Medicaid agency fails to adequately identify, prevent, and address fraud, waste, and abuse (FWA) in its Medicaid program.

This finding will be the basis for withholding federal financial participation (FFP) from Minnesota's Medicaid program, as described in more detail in the letter below. The withholding will end when the Minnesota Medicaid agency fully and satisfactorily implements a corrective action plan (CAP) to bring its program integrity operations into compliance with federal requirements.

CMS supports state efforts to appropriately address FWA, and federal law and regulations provide mechanisms to do so. Federal law and regulations require states to maintain effective administrative controls,

conduct audits, cooperate with federal integrity efforts, enforce accountability, and protect Medicaid funds from FWA. Investigations by CMS, the Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General (HHS OIG), the Department of Justice (DOJ), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and other federal partners have identified widespread and ongoing FWA in Minnesota's Medicaid program and repeated failures by the State to adequately address it.

CMS has found that Minnesota's policies, practices, and oversight mechanisms violate section 1902(a)(64) of the Act, which requires states to ensure their state plans provide mechanisms to receive reports of alleged FWA and to compile and analyze related data. CMS has further found that Minnesota's policies, practices, and oversight mechanisms violate federal regulations at 42 CFR part 455, subpart A, which require states to implement methods for identifying, investigating, and referring suspected Medicaid fraud, including pathways to receive complaints from any source and methods for identifying questionable practices.

CMS has raised these issues previously with the State but Minnesota has been unable to resolve the State's ongoing FWA issues.

Minnesota will have an opportunity for a hearing on these findings. Minnesota will have 10 days from the date of the notice letter to request such a hearing. If a request for hearing is timely submitted, the hearing will be convened by the designated hearing as soon as practicable but no sooner than 30 days after the date of this **Federal Register** notice, or a later date by agreement of the parties and the Hearing Officer, at the CMS Regional Office in Chicago, Illinois, in accordance with the procedures set forth in federal regulations at 42 CFR part 430, subpart D. The Hearing Officer also should be notified if the Minnesota Medicaid agency requests a hearing but cannot meet the timeframe expressed in this notice.

The Hearing Officer designated for this matter is: Benjamin R. Cohen, Hearing Officer, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7111 Security Boulevard, Suite B1-15-15, Baltimore, MD 21244.

If a final determination is made that the Minnesota Medicaid agency has failed to comply substantially with these requirements in the administration of its Medicaid state plan, after a hearing or absent a hearing request, consistent with the provisions of section 1904 of the Act, CMS will