

synchronous compensators; (2) static VAR compensators; (3) advanced power flow control devices; (4) transmission switching; (5) synchronous condensers; (6) voltage source converters; (7) advanced conductors; (8) dynamic line ratings;¹ and (9) the implementation of, and software related to, ambient-adjusted ratings.²

The second panel will discuss load forecasting. Load forecasting is becoming increasingly important as the bulk power system faces historic demand growth driven in part by data centers and other large new loads. This panel may address: (1) forecasting for data centers and other large loads; (2) resource needs to serve new large loads; (3) software improvements to increase the accuracy of load forecasting; (4) options to enhance data sharing; and (5) underlying assumptions and computational techniques. As potential changes to forecasting processes are being discussed nationwide, including by reliability organizations and RTO/ISO stakeholder groups, Commission staff will seek perspectives from a variety of stakeholders.

Individuals interested in participating as panelists on either panel should nominate themselves by 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on April 6, 2026 on the Commission's website, linked here. Each nomination should state the proposed panelist's name, contact information, organizational affiliation, and indicate the topic area on which the proposed panelist would like to speak.

II. Individual Presentations: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

Building on prior conferences, on the second day, July 8, the software conference will address cutting edge research topics through individual presentations from industry in the same format as prior conferences in this series. Broadly, such topics fall into the following categories:

(1) Software applications, including artificial intelligence (AI) or machine learning, to improve efficiency and affordability of the bulk power system, and implementation of advanced

computing methods in electric and natural gas markets.

(2) Software supporting the operation of energy infrastructure, including operations impacted by the interconnection of large loads.

(3) Software to optimize resources that face intertemporal constraints, such as gas generators with ratable gas contracts, thermal generators with annual emissions constraints, rechargeable energy storage resources, and demand response resources with time limits.

(4) Software supporting resource adequacy, both in facilitating the interconnection of generation and load and in modeling energy adequacy needs.

Presentation nominations must be submitted on or before March 18, 2026, through the Commission's website, again linked here. Speakers interested in presenting a paper or other work should provide an abstract and list of contributing authors for the proposed presentation. Proposed presentations should be related to the topics discussed above. Speakers and presentations will be selected to ensure relevance to those topics and to accommodate time constraints.

In previous years, Commission staff has received nominations for more presentations than could be accommodated, and we anticipate that will be the case this year. Presenters are encouraged to submit new findings and novel work to ensure that the conference reflects the latest research. Presentation proposals that involve many of the same co-authors and/or have similar content may be combined into a single proposal or panel for one presentation.

III. Additional Details

Supplemental notices with an agenda with additional details, including the list of panel discussions, and presentation dates and times for the selected speakers, will be issued at a later date. Further details on both participation and attendance, including a webcast, will be released prior to the conference. The conference will be transcribed, and a recording of the webcast will be made available after the conference.

There is an "eSubscription" link on the Commission's 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, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

FERC conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an email to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free (866) 208-3372 (voice) or (202) 502-8659 (TTY), or send a fax to (202) 208-2106 with the required accommodations.

Attendees must register through the Commission's website on or before June 12, 2026. Registration is free and is available to all members of the public, though we encourage foreign nationals to indicate interest as soon as possible to accommodate security screening. Access to the software conference (virtual or in-person) may not be available to those who do not register.

For further information about the software conference, please contact: Daniel Wagner, Office of Technical Reporting and Economics, (202) 502-8934, Daniel.Wagner@ferc.gov Paige Bradford, Office of Technical Reporting and Economics, (202) 502-8319, Paige.Bradford@ferc.gov

Dated: March 4, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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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 corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC26-68-000.

Applicants: CPV Maryland, LLC, CPV Three Rivers, LLC.

Description: Joint Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act of CPV Maryland, LLC, et al.

Filed Date: 3/3/26.

Accession Number: 20260303-5219.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/24/26.

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

Docket Numbers: ER26-589-001.

Applicants: Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: Compliance filing: New York Independent System Operator, Inc. submits tariff filing per 35: NMPCC Compliance: Conform Accepted TSC Revisions to be effective 1/24/2026.

Filed Date: 3/4/26.

Accession Number: 20260304-5089.

¹ See, generally, *Bldg. for the Future Through Elec. Reg'l Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation*, Order No. 1920, 89 FR 49280 (June 11, 2024), 187 FERC ¶ 61,068 (2024) at P 1198 (referencing a set of alternative transmission technologies); *Improvements to Generator Interconnection Procs. & Agreements*, Order No. 2023, 88 FR 61014 (Sept. 6, 2023), 184 FERC ¶ 61,054 (2023) at P 1578 (referencing a set of alternative transmission technologies).

² The Commission requires transmission providers to use ambient-adjusted ratings in calculating line ratings. *Managing Transmission Line Ratings*, Order No. 881, 87 FR 2244 (Jan. 13, 2022), 177 FERC ¶ 61,179 (2021).

- Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–952–001.
Applicants: MidAmerican Energy Company, Western Area Power Administration.
Description: Tariff Amendment: MidAmerican Energy Company submits tariff filing per 35.17(b): Amendment to Amended Contract for Interconnection and Load Control Boundary Point to be effective 12/1/2025.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5098.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1127–001.
Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.
Description: Tariff Amendment: 2026–03–04 SA 2395 MidAmerican-ITC Midwest Sub 5th Rev GIA (H021 J041) to be effective 1/16/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5167.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1218–001.
Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Description: Tariff Amendment: 4618 Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska NITSA and NOA Amended to be effective 4/1/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5103.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1596–000.
Applicants: Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Resubmission—Attachment O (EIM) Revisions to be effective 5/1/2026.
Filed Date: 3/3/26.
Accession Number: 20260303–5175.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/24/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1597–000.
Applicants: The Connecticut Light and Power Company.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: MDC Milford Associates, LLC—Viability Assessment Study Agreement to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5055.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1598–000.
Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Original GIA, Service Agreement No. 7900; Project Identifier No. AE2–156 to be effective 2/2/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5056.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1599–000.
Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Original GIA, SA No. 7899; Project Identifier No. AG1–374 to be effective 2/2/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5059.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1600–000.
Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.
Description: Tariff Amendment: 2026–03–04 SA 3554 Termination of Ameren IL-Lincoln Land E&P (J955) to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5060.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1601–000.
Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.
Description: Tariff Amendment: 2026–03–04 SA 4286 Termination of Ameren Illinois-Geranium Solar E&P (J1712) to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5061.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1602–000.
Applicants: Blossom Solar, LLC.
Description: Petition of Blossom Solar, LLC for Limited, Prospective Waiver and Request for Expedited Action.
Filed Date: 3/3/26.
Accession Number: 20260303–5217.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/24/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1603–000.
Applicants: CPV Three Rivers, LLC, CPV Maryland, LLC.
Description: Request for Waiver and Expedited Action of CPV Maryland, LLC and CPV Three Rivers, LLC.
Filed Date: 3/3/26.
Accession Number: 20260303–5218.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/24/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1605–000.
Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Revisions to Attachment C—Annual Flowgate Assessment Improvements to be effective 5/4/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5112.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1606–000.
Applicants: ZPD-PT Solar Project 2017–040 LLC.
Description: Initial Rate Filing: Application for Market Based Rate to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5117.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1607–000.
Applicants: Gridmatic Mays LLC.
Description: Initial Rate Filing: Application for Market Based Rate to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5123.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1608–000.
Applicants: Gridmatic Nyssa LLC.
Description: Initial Rate Filing: Application for Market Based Rate to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5125.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1609–000.
Applicants: Split Rail Solar Energy LLC.
Description: Tariff Amendment: Notice of Cancellation to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5135.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1611–000.
Applicants: Gridmatic Isotria LLC.
Description: Initial Rate Filing: Application for Market Based Rate Authorization to be effective 3/5/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5141.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1612–000.
Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Original GIA, SA No. 7897; Project Identifier No. AF1–296 to be effective 2/2/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5170.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1613–000.
Applicants: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: DEC–DEC E&P Agmt Rate Schedule No. 739 to be effective 5/4/2026.
Filed Date: 3/4/26.
Accession Number: 20260304–5175.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/26.
Docket Numbers: ER26–1614–000.
Applicants: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.
Description: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC submits Notice of Cancellation of the Interchange Contract with Oglethorpe Power Corporation.
Filed Date: 3/3/26.
Accession Number: 20260303–5221.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/24/26.
Take notice that the Commission received the following electric reliability filings:
Docket Numbers: RD26–5–000.
Applicants: North American Electric Reliability Corporation, Western Electricity Coordinating Council.
Description: Joint Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and Western Electricity

Coordinating Council for Approval of Retirement of Regional Reliability Standard BAL-002-WECC-3.

Filed Date: 2/27/26.

Accession Number: 20260227-5463.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/30/26.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercgensearch.asp>) by querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene, to protest, or to answer a complaint in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211, 214, or 206 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214, or 385.206) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. 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.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Dated: March 4, 2026.

Carlos D. Clay,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 10934-035]

Sugar River Hydro II, LLC; Notice of Revised Schedule for Environmental Assessment

On June 22, 2023, and supplemented on January 24, 2024, June 20, 2025, and December 1, 2025, Sugar River Hydro II, LLC, licensee, filed an application for surrender of its license for the Sugar River II Hydroelectric Project No. 10934. The project is located on the Sugar River in Sullivan County, New Hampshire. The project does not occupy federal lands.

To surrender the project, the licensee proposes to disconnect all generator leads, remove all transformers and other project electrical equipment, remove all hydraulic and governor fluids and

reservoirs, remove project related operating equipment and monitors, such as impoundment sensors, from the dam, and secure the powerhouse.

Additionally, the licensee plans to close the penstock at its intake and intends to work with the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Dam Bureau to develop the formal penstock closure plan. The dam and its gates would remain in place, including the emergency backup system with a dedicated generator. The licensee does not anticipate any new ground disturbance activity while securing the powerhouse and closing the penstock intake.

On August 25, 2025, the Commission issued a Notice of Intent that informed the public that Commission staff plans to issue an Environmental Assessment (EA)¹ by March 2, 2026. On October 2, 2025, Commission staff requested additional information from the licensee in response to observations noted during the September 18, 2025 dam safety inspection. On December 1, 2025, the licensee filed an interim response to the October 2, 2025 letter and requested an extension until February 20, 2026, to allow for consultation with relevant agencies. On January 16, 2026, Commission staff granted the extension request and requested the licensee to provide additional clarifications regarding the surrender application.

Commission staff is revising the schedule to issue an EA by July 10, 2026. The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period. All comments filed on the EA will be reviewed by staff and considered in the Commission's final decision on the proceeding. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Aneela Mousam, (202) 502-8357 or aneela.mousam@ferc.gov.

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Dated: March 4, 2026.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-13218-01-OW]

National Drinking Water Advisory Council: Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for three-year appointments to the National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC or Council). The 15-member Council was established by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) to provide independent advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on matters relating to activities, functions, policies, and regulations under the SDWA. This notice solicits nominations to fill existing vacancies with three-year appointments. EPA may also consider nominations received through this solicitation to fill any additional or anticipated vacancies on the Council through the end of 2026. To enable EPA to maintain the membership required by statute, the agency is seeking nominees who are from the general public; appropriate state and local agencies concerned with water hygiene and public water supply; and representatives of private organizations or groups demonstrating an active interest in the field of water hygiene and public water supply, including nominees associated with small, rural public water systems.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted in time to arrive no later than April 8, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be sent to NDWAC@epa.gov. If you have concerns about submitting your nomination electronically, you may contact Joseph Tiago the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the NDWAC, by email at NDWAC@epa.gov, or by phone at (202) 564-0340, to discuss an alternative delivery method.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public who wants further information concerning the nomination process may contact Joseph Tiago at NDWAC@epa.gov; or call (202) 564-0340. General information concerning the NDWAC can be found on EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/ndwac>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

National Drinking Water Advisory Council: The Council was created by