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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. ER09-596-000]

Silverado Energy LP; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

February 12, 2009.

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Silverado Energy LP'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.

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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 March 4, 2009.

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[Docket No. ER09-614-000]

Vista Energy Trading, LP; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

February 12, 2009.

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Vista Energy Trading, LP'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.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of the Proposed Transmission Agency of Northern California Transmission Project, California

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement/ environmental impact report and conduct scoping meetings; notice of floodplain and wetlands involvement.

SUMMARY: The Western Area Power Administration (Western), an agency of the DOE intends to prepare a joint environmental impact statement/ environmental impact report (EIS/EIR) for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed Transmission Agency of Northern California (TANC) Transmission Project (Project) in California. Western is issuing this Notice to inform the public and interested parties about the proposed Project, conduct a public scoping process, and invite the public to comment on the scope, proposed action, alternatives, and other issues to be addressed in the EIS/EIR.

The EIS/EIR will address the construction, maintenance, and operation of the proposed Project, which would include building and upgrading about 600 miles of 230-kilovolt (kV) and 500-kV transmission lines and associated equipment and facilities in northern California. Portions of the proposed Project may affect floodplains and wetlands in the area. Western and TANC will hold public scoping meetings in 12 locations in the Project area during the public scoping period. At the scoping meetings, Western and TANC will share additional information on the proposed Project and receive comments and suggestions on the scope of the EIS/EIR.

DATES: The public scoping period begins with the publication of this **Federal Register** notice and closes on April 30, 2009. Please see the **SUPPLEMENTARY**

INFORMATION section for scoping meeting dates.

ADDRESSES: Please see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for scoping meeting locations. Written comments on the scope of the EIS should be addressed to Mr. David Young, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Document Manager, Western Area Power Administration, Sierra Nevada Region, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630, telephone (916) 353-4777, fax (916) 353-4772, or e-mail TTPEIS@wapa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Young, NEPA Document Manager, Western Area Power Administration, Sierra Nevada Region, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630, telephone (916) 353-4777, fax (916) 353-4772, or e-mail TTPEIS@wapa.gov. Additional information and submitted comments on the proposed project can be found at <http://www.wapa.gov/transmission/ttp.htm>. For general information on DOE's NEPA review procedures or status of a NEPA review, contact Ms. Carol M. Borgstrom, Director of NEPA Policy and Compliance, GC-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, telephone (202) 586-4600 or (800) 472-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Western, an agency within DOE, markets Federal hydroelectric power to preference customers, as specified by law. These customers include municipalities, cooperatives, irrigation districts, Federal and State agencies, and Native American tribes. Western's service territory covers 15 western states, including California. Western owns and operates more than 17,000 miles of high-voltage transmission lines.

TANC is a registered Transmission Owner, Transmission Planner, and Transmission Service Provider (as these terms are defined by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation). TANC's mission is to assist its publicly owned utility members in providing cost-effective energy supplies to their customers, through construction and long-term ownership of high-voltage transmission lines within California and the western United States. TANC's membership includes the California cities of Alameda, Biggs, Gridley, Healdsburg, Lodi, Lompoc, Palo Alto, Redding, Roseville, Santa Clara, and Ukiah, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Modesto Irrigation District, and Turlock Irrigation District. The Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative is an associate member of TANC.

Advance Notice of Intent

Western published an Advance Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report; Notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement on January 7, 2008 (74 FR 707). The Advance NOI provided a project description and stated that Western would be issuing a formal NOI in early 2009 (74 FR 708). This is the formal NOI discussed in the Advance NOI.

Background and Need for Agency Action

Western and TANC propose to coordinate development of the proposed Project, which includes new and upgraded 230-kV and 500-kV transmission lines, substations, and related facilities. The Project would satisfy Western's and TANC's need to develop new access to renewable energy resources in northeastern California, northwestern Nevada, and the Pacific Northwest, enhance the California-Oregon Intertie, reduce existing congestion and system losses, increase the load-carrying capability and reliability of northern California's transmission system, improve the reliability of the Balancing Authority Area, in which Western resides, and relieve certain existing electrical transmission system constraints in northern California.

Project Description

Details and plans for the proposed Project and alternatives are still being developed and refinements will continue throughout the public scoping process. TANC would own all facilities of the proposed Project except for the Federal Transmission System owned by Western and the Sierra Foothills Segment, as noted below. Western's Federal Transmission System ownership includes the land rights, towers, and circuit 1 between Tracy Substation and Livermore Substation. Some of the facilities associated with the proposed Project may require modifications to and/or interconnections with Western's transmission system.

Proposed Routes and Alternative Routes

The proposed Project would be located entirely in California. The corridor would consist of five segments of transmission line that extend from northeastern California through the Central Valley and split westward to the San Francisco Bay area and eastward to the Sierra Foothills. The proposed corridors have been identified to avoid, to the extent possible, residential and