

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER11-4044-000]

Gratiot County Wind, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Gratiot County 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 3, 2011.

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 14 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 review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC

Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: July 15, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER11-4041-000]

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

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Verde Energy USA Trading, 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 3, 2011.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9442-5]

Clean Air Act Operating Permit Program; Petition for Objection to State Operating Permit for Public Service Company of Colorado dba Xcel Energy—Pawnee Power Station

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of final action.

SUMMARY: This document announces that the EPA Administrator has responded to a citizen petition asking EPA to object to an operating permit issued by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). Specifically, the Administrator has partially granted and partially denied the February, 2010, Petition, submitted by WildEarth Guardians (Petitioner), to object to CDPHE's January 1, 2010, title V permit issued to Public Service Company of Colorado dba Xcel Energy (Xcel)—Pawnee Power Station.

Pursuant to section 505(b)(2) of the Clean Air Act (Act or CAA), Petitioners may seek judicial review of those portions of the petition that EPA denied in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit. Any petition for review shall be filed within 60 days from the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**, pursuant to section 307 of the Act.

ADDRESSES: You may review copies of the Final Order, the Petition, and other supporting information at the EPA Region 8 Office, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202-1129. EPA requests that if at all possible, you

contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to view the copies of the Final Order, the Petition, and other supporting information. You may view the hard copies Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding Federal holidays. If you wish to examine these documents, you should make an appointment at least 24 hours in advance. Additionally, the Final Order for Public Service Company of Colorado—Pawnee Power Station is available electronically at: http://www.epa.gov/region7/air/title5/petitiondb/petitions/xcel_pawnee_response2010.pdf.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Razzazian, Air Program (8P-AR), EPA Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202-1129. Phone: (303) 312-6648. E-mail: razzazian.christopher@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Act affords EPA a 45-day period to review and object to, as appropriate, a title V operating permit proposed by State permitting authorities. Section 505(b)(2) of the Act authorizes any person to petition the EPA Administrator, within 60 days after the expiration of this review period, to object to a title V operating permit if EPA has not done so. Petitions must be based only on objections to the permit that were raised with reasonable specificity during the public comment period provided by the State, unless the petitioner demonstrates that it was impracticable to raise these issues during the comment period or the grounds for the issues arose after this period. EPA received a petition from WildEarth Guardians dated February 26, 2010, requesting that EPA object to the issuance of the title V operating permit to Public Service Company of Colorado for the operation of the Pawnee Power Station. The Petition alleges that the Permit does not comply with 40 CFR Part 70 in that it fails to assure compliance with: (I) Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) requirements; (II) particulate matter (PM) limits applicable to the coal-fired boiler; (III) other applicable PM emission limits (and fails to require the facility to sufficiently monitor fugitive PM emissions); (IV) the 20-percent opacity limit under the New Source Performance Standards, Subpart Y, which applies to coal unloaded to storage activities; (V) PM emission limits applicable to specified point sources (and fails to require the facility to sufficiently monitor PM from those point sources); (VI) CAA § 112(j) for air toxics; and (VII) PSD requirements in regard to carbon dioxide emissions.

On June 30, 2011, the Administrator issued an Administrative Order partially granting and partially denying the Petition. The Order explains the reasons behind EPA's conclusions.

Dated: July 13, 2011.

Stephen S. Tuber,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 8.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9442-4]

Designation of an Ocean Dredged Material Disposal Site (ODMDS) in the Gulf of Mexico Off the Mouth of the Atchafalaya River, St. Mary Parish, LA

AGENCY: Region 6, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the designation of an ODMDS in the Gulf of Mexico off the mouth of the Atchafalaya River, St. Mary Parish, LA.

SUMMARY: The U.S. EPA, Region 6, in accordance with EPA's October 29, 1998 Notice of Policy and Procedures for Voluntary Preparation of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Documents (63 FR 58045), and in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District (the Corps), will prepare an EIS for the designation of an ODMDS in the Gulf of Mexico off the mouth of the Atchafalaya River, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana. An EIS is needed to provide the information necessary to designate an ODMDS. This Notice of Intent is issued Pursuant to Section 102(c) of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (MPRSA), and 40 CFR Part 228 (Criteria for the Management of Disposal Sites for Ocean Dumping).

DATES: Comments or names for the project mailing list must be submitted in writing on or before August 22, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments and/or names to be placed on the project mailing list should be sent to Jessica Franks, PhD, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733, telephone (214) 665-8335 or e-mail: franks.jessica@epa.gov or Mr. John F. Fiorentino, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, Coastal Environmental Compliance Section, P.O. Box 60267, New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0267, telephone (504) 862-1318 or e-mail:

John.Fiorentino@usace.army.mil.

Additional information is available on

the EPA Web site at: http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/ecopro/current_action.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jessica Franks, PhD at (214) 665-8335 or Mr. John Fiorentino at (504) 862-1318.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Atchafalaya River and the Atchafalaya River Bar Channel (ARBC), located within the Federally-authorized and maintained Atchafalaya River and Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black, Louisiana project, provide vessel access to Morgan City, the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW), and Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black from the Gulf of Mexico.

The ARBC is located in an area of heavy sedimentation. The bed load fraction of the sediment carried by the Atchafalaya River is deposited mainly in Atchafalaya Bay, resulting in delta accretion and progradation. The ARBC must receive periodic maintenance dredging to ensure safe navigation. Shoal material that could not be used beneficially has been placed (prior to 2002) at an existing MPRSA Section 102(c) ODMDS on the east side of the channel (the ODMDS-East). Concern has been expressed, and Corps studies have shown, that maintenance-dredged material—especially fluid mud, or “fluff”—placed on the east side of the ARBC (particularly at the ODMDS-East) is rapidly transported back into the navigation channel by prevailing littoral currents.

Since 2002, shoal material from the ARBC not suitable for beneficial use has been placed at a temporary (*i.e.*, 5-year) ODMDS on the west side of the channel (the ODMDS-West) under the authority of MPRSA Section 103(b). In 2007, the Corps requested, and received from EPA Region 6, a 5-year extension for the continued use of the MPRSA Section 103(b) ODMDS-West. The approval for ODMDS-West use is scheduled to expire in August 2012, at which time it can no longer receive shoal material dredged from the ARBC unless it is re-designated as a MPRSA Section 102(c) site by EPA.

Following the MPRSA Section 103(b) designation of the ODMDS-West in 2002, the Corps Engineering Research and Development Center, performed monitoring studies to determine if placing maintenance-dredged material on the west side of the ARBC was more effective at reducing shoaling in the channel, thus, reducing the dredging frequency and costs. These studies found that while placing material on the west side of the ARBC did not eliminate shoaling, it did reduce the rate of shoal material runback into the channel, when compared to placing material on the east