

Docket No. RM10–23, Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities

Docket No. RM11–26, Promoting Transmission Investment Through Pricing Reform

Docket No. ER10–1791, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Dated: November 9, 2011.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1354–081]

#### **Pacific Gas & Electric Company; Notice of Availability of Supplemental Environmental Assessment**

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations (18 CFR part 380), Commission staff prepared a Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA), to supplement the Final EA that was issued on February 19, 2010 regarding Pacific Gas & Electric Company's (PG&E) proposal to perform Commission-required seismic remediation work at Crane Valley Dam, part of the Crane Valley Hydroelectric Project. The Crane Valley Project occupies approximately 738 acres of federal lands within the Sierra National Forest, and is located approximately 40 miles northeast of the city of Fresno in Madera County, California. PG&E is currently performing the seismic remediation work and supporting activities analyzed in the February 19, 2010 Final EA.

PG&E is proposing two new contingency actions that are necessary to ensure that the seismic work at Crane Valley Dam can be completed in a timely manner. First, PG&E proposes to increase the amount of imported rock fill hauled from off-site quarries to ensure an adequate supply of quality rock for completion of the work. Second, PG&E proposes to install, and operate on an as-needed basis, a primary bypass diversion to pass water around the dam to assist in reservoir level control during work on the upstream face of the dam, as well as a minimum flow bypass diversion to ensure

continuation of required minimum flow releases.

The SEA examines the environmental effects of PG&E's proposed contingency actions and resource protection and mitigation plans that PG&E would follow in accordance with consultation with federal and state resource agencies, and also recommends further measures to minimize any environmental effects. In the SEA, staff concludes that the proposed contingency actions, compliance with the resource protection and mitigation plans, and the recommended measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the SEA is available for review at the Commission's Public Reference Room, or it may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number (P–1354) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502–8222, or (202) 502–8659 (for TTY).

For further information on this notice, please contact B. Peter Yarrington at (202) 502–6129.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL11–53–000]

#### **Shetek Wind Inc., Jeffers South, LLC and Allco Renewable Energy Limited, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.; Notice of Filing of Response to Data Request**

Take notice that on November 7, 2011, in response to a request for additional information relevant to the complaint filed in the above-captioned proceeding, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (MISO) submitted responses to questions from Commission staff.

MISO states that copies of the response were served on all parties in the Commission's eService list for the proceeding, on all Tariff Customers under the Tariff, MISO Members, member representatives of Transmission Owners and Non-Transmission Owners, MISO Advisory Committee participants, and all state commissions within the region.

Any person desiring to intervene or to comment on this filing must file in

accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Comments and protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make commenters or protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is 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 email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER12–348–000]

#### **Mercuria Energy America, Inc.; 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 Mercuria Energy America, Inc.'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 November 28, 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 email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

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*Deputy Secretary.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

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**[Project No. 2246-058]**

**Yuba County Water Agency; Notice of Dispute Resolution Process Schedule; Panel Meeting, and Technical Conference**

On October 20, 2011, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), filed a Notice to initiate a formal study dispute resolution process, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.14, in the relicensing proceeding for the Yuba County Water Agency's (YCWA) Yuba River Hydroelectric Project No. 2246. NMFS disputes the treatment of several of its study requests, filed on March 7, 2011, in the Commission's study plan determination, issued on September 30, 2011. NMFS specifically identifies study requests one through six and study request eight as the disputed components of its, March 7, 2011 filing. In its study requests one through six NMFS requested studies of the effects of project and related activities on: (1) Fish passage for anadromous fish; (2) hydrology for anadromous fish; (3) water temperatures for anadromous fish migration, holding, spawning, and rearing needs; (4) coarse substrate for anadromous fish: sediment supply, transport, and storage; (5) large wood and riparian habitat for anadromous fish; and (6) loss of marine-derived nutrients in the Yuba River, respectively. In study request eight, NMFS requested a study of, "anadromous fish ecosystem effects analysis: synthesis of direct, indirect,

and cumulative effects of the project and related facilities on anadromous fish."

In its October 20, 2011 filing, NMFS designated David K. White as its dispute resolution panel member. On October 25, 2011, Commission staff designated Stephen P. Bowler to serve in the Commission staff role of dispute resolution panel chair. From an established list of potential third party panelists, Mr. Bowler and Mr. White selected Mr. Richard E. Craven and requested that he serve on the panel. Mr. Craven agreed to serve and the panel convened on November 7, 2011. Mr. Craven's statement certifying that he has no conflict of interest, which also summarizes his qualifications, is attached. None of the three panelists have been involved previously in the Yuba River Hydroelectric Project relicensing proceeding.

The panel will hold an all-day technical conference on the disputed studies on November 30, 2011. The conference will be held in Sacramento, CA. Further details will be supplied in a future notice. The purpose of the technical conference is for the disputing agency, the applicant, and the Commission to provide the panel with additional information necessary to evaluate the disputed studies. All local, state, and federal agencies, Indian tribes, and other interested parties are invited to attend the meeting as observers. The panel may also request information or clarification on written submissions as necessary to understand the matters in dispute. The panel will limit all input that it receives to the specific studies or information in dispute and will focus on the applicability of such studies or information to the study criteria stipulated in 18 CFR 5.9(b). If the number of participants wishing to speak creates time constraints, the panel may, at its discretion, limit the speaking time for each participant.

The process plan for dispute resolution is as follows:

Responsible party	Pre-filing milestone	Date	FERC regulation
NMFS	Disputes filed	10/20/2011	5.14(a).
Dispute Panel	Third Dispute Panel Member Selected	11/4/2011	5.14(d)(3).
Dispute Panel	Dispute Resolution Panel Convened	11/7/2011	5.14(d).
YCWA	Applicant Comments on Study Disputes Due	11/14/2011	5.14(i).
FERC	Notice of Dispute Resolution Panel Technical Conference	11/9/2011 (with details on or before 11/16/2011).	Guidance.
Dispute Panel	Dispute Resolution Panel Technical Conference	11/30/2011	5.14(j).
Dispute Panel	Dispute Resolution Panel Findings Issued	12/9/2011	5.14(k).
FERC	Director's Study Dispute Determination	12/29/2011	5.14(l).