

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 2290–109]

**Southern California Edison Co; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests**

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Application Type*: Non-Capacity Amendment of License.

b. *Project No*: P–2290–109.

c. *Date Filed*: June 4, 2015.

d. *Applicant*: Southern California Edison Company (SCE).

e. *Name of Project*: Kern River 3.

f. *Location*: The project is located on the Kern River, in Kern and Tulare counties, California.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a–825r.

h. *Applicant Contact*: David Moore, Southern California Edison, 1515 Walnut Grove Avenue, Rosemead, CA 91771, (626) 302–9494.

i. *FERC Contact*: Mary Karwoski, (202) 502–6543, [Mary.Karwoski@ferc.gov](mailto:Mary.Karwoski@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests*: January 7, 2016.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, or recommendations using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P–2290–109.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a

particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. *Description of Request*: SCE requests to amend the project license as follows: (1) Replace the existing final U.S. Forest Service Section 4(e) Condition 6(f) with the amended final Section 4(e) Condition 6(f) filed with the Commission by the U.S. Forest Service on March 3, 2015; and (2) revise Article 422 so that the language is consistent with the amended final Section 4(e) Condition 6(f). The proposed changes are administrative and necessary to resolve inconsistencies between U.S. Forest Service 4(e) Condition 6(f), license Article 422, and language contained in a 2002 settlement agreement regarding whitewater flows below the Fairview Dam. The filing includes background information providing context, a description of the proposed amendment, reasons the amendment is necessary, and documentation of consultation. On February 25, 2014, the Commission issued public notice in this proceeding. All previous intervenors remain a party to the proceeding.

l. *Locations of the Application*: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502–8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1–866–208–3676 or email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene*: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those

who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Documents*: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: December 8, 2015.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.**,  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP15–91–000]

**East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC; Revised Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Loudon Expansion Project**

This notice identifies the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) staff's revised schedule for the completion of the environmental assessment (EA) for East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC's Loudon Expansion Project. The previous notice of schedule, issued on October 28, 2015, identified December 21, 2015 as the EA issuance date. Staff has revised the schedule for issuance of the EA.

**Schedule for Environmental Review**

Issuance of EA—December 28, 2015  
90-day Federal Authorization Decision  
Deadline—March 27, 2016

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the project's progress.

**Additional Information**

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. Go to [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Dated: December 8, 2015.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. EL16-13-000]

**Emera Maine; Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date**

On December 7, 2015, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. EL16-13-000, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e (2012), instituting an investigation into the justness and reasonableness of Emera Maine's proposed revisions to its Open Access Transmission Tariff for Maine Public District. *Emera Maine*, 153 FERC ¶ 61,283 (2015).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL16-13-000, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 8, 2015.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[EPA-R09-OAR-2015-0779; FRL-9940-06-Region 9]

**Official Release of EMFAC2014 Motor Vehicle Emission Factor Model for Use in the State of California**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving and announcing the availability of the latest version of the California EMFAC (short for Emission FACTor) model for use in state implementation plan (SIP)

development and transportation conformity in California. EMFAC2014 is the latest update to the EMFAC model for use by California state and local governments to meet Clean Air Act (CAA) requirements. The new model, which is based on new and improved data, calculates air pollution emissions factors for passenger cars, trucks, motorcycles, motor homes and buses. Today's notice also sets the date after which EMFAC2014, rather than EMFAC2011, must be used to satisfy the requirement that conformity determinations be based on the latest emissions model available. This requirement can be met by using the most current version of the motor vehicle emissions model approved by the EPA. Since the EMFAC model is used only in California, the EPA's approval and the announcement of the availability of the model does not affect the applicability of the Motor Vehicle Emissions Simulator (MOVES) model for users in other states.

**DATES:** The EPA's approval of the EMFAC2014 emissions model for SIP and conformity purposes is effective December 14, 2015. EMFAC2014 must be used as described in this Notice for all new regional emissions analyses and carbon monoxide (CO) and particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub>) hot-spot analyses for transportation conformity purposes that are started on or after December 14, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karina O'Connor, [occonnor.karina@epa.gov](mailto:occonnor.karina@epa.gov), (775) 434-8176, Air Planning Office (AIR-2), Air Division, U.S. EPA, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105-3901.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Copies of the official version of the EMFAC2014 model, including technical support documents, are available on the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Web site: [http://www.arb.ca.gov/msei/categories.htm#onroad\\_motor\\_vehicles](http://www.arb.ca.gov/msei/categories.htm#onroad_motor_vehicles). Throughout this document, "we," "us" and "our" refer to EPA.

**I. Background***A. What is the EMFAC model?*

The EMFAC model is a computer model that can estimate emission rates for on-road mobile sources ("motor vehicles") for calendar years from 2000 to 2050 operating in California. Pollutant emissions for hydrocarbons (HC), CO, nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, lead, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), and sulfur oxides are output from the model. Emissions are calculated for fifty-one different vehicle classes composed of passenger cars, various types of trucks

and buses, motorcycles, and motor homes.

EMFAC is used to calculate current and future inventories of motor vehicle emissions at the state, air district, air basin, county, or project level. EMFAC contains default vehicle activity data, and the option of modifying that data, so it can be used to estimate a motor vehicle emissions inventory in tons/day for a specific year, month, or season, and as a function of ambient temperature, relative humidity, vehicle population, mileage accrual, miles of travel and speeds. Thus the model can be used to make decisions about air pollution policies and programs at the local or state level.

Inventories based on EMFAC are also used to meet the federal CAA's SIP and transportation conformity requirements. Transportation conformity is required under CAA section 176(c) to ensure that federally supported transportation plans, transportation improvement programs (TIPs), and highway and transit projects are consistent with ("conform to") the purpose of the SIP. Conformity to a SIP means that a transportation activity will not cause or contribute to new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) or interim milestones. The EPA's transportation conformity regulations (40 CFR parts 51.390 and 93) describe how federally funded and approved highway and transit projects meet these statutory requirements. EMFAC is used statewide in all regional emissions analyses and CO, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> hot-spot analyses for transportation conformity determinations in California.

*B. What versions of EMFAC are currently in use in California?*

Most SIPs in California were developed using EMFAC2011 (released by CARB in September 2011) or EMFAC2007 (released by CARB in October 2007). The EPA approved and announced the availability of EMFAC2011 on March 16, 2013 (78 FR 14533) and approved and announced the availability of EMFAC2007 on January 18, 2008 (73 FR 3464) for all nonattainment and maintenance areas in California.

EMFAC2011 was considered a major update to previous versions of EMFAC and most SIPs in California were updated with EMFAC2011 in the 2012-2014 timeframe. EMFAC2011 included a new model structure, new data and methodologies regarding calculation of motor vehicle emissions, and revisions to implementation data for control measures.