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The EA is available for review and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426. The EA may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number (P-4285) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3372, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

All comments on the EA and supplement must be filed by October 3, 2016, and should reference Project No. 4285-046. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments 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. In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

For further information, contact Rebecca Martin at (202) 502-6012 or [Rebecca.Martin@ferc.gov](mailto:Rebecca.Martin@ferc.gov).

Dated: September 2, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Leach Xpress Project and Rayne Xpress Expansion Project

	Docket No.
Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC.	CP15-514-000
Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC.	CP15-539-000

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Leach Xpress and Rayne Xpress Expansion Projects (Projects), proposed

by Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gas) and Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gulf), respectively, in the above-referenced dockets. Columbia Gas requests authorization to construct, operate, abandon in-place, replace, and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Ohio to transport about 1.5 million dekatherms of natural gas per day of firm transportation service to natural gas consumers served by the Columbia Gas pipeline systems. Columbia Gulf requests authorization to add new compression in Kentucky to provide about 621,000 dekatherms per day of firm transportation on Columbia Gulf's system.

The final EIS assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Projects in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the Projects would have some adverse and significant environmental impacts; however, these impacts would be reduced to less than significant levels with the implementation of Columbia Gas' and Columbia Gulf's proposed mitigation and the additional measures recommended by staff in the final EIS.

The Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, and West Virginia Department of Natural Resources participated as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the final EIS. Cooperating agencies have jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially affected by the proposals and participate in the NEPA analysis. Although the cooperating agencies provided input to the conclusions and recommendations presented in the final EIS, the agencies will present their own conclusions and recommendations in their respective Records of Decision for the Projects.

The final EIS addresses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following facilities:

- 132 miles of new 36-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline, 24 miles of 36-

inch-diameter looping pipeline,<sup>1</sup> 28 miles of 20-inch-diameter pipeline to be abandoned in place, 3 new compressor stations, and appurtenant facilities including 2 existing compressor station modifications, 4 new and 1 modified regulator stations, 13 pig launcher and receiver facilities,<sup>2</sup> 9 mainline valves and 5 odorization facilities proposed by Columbia Gas; and

- two new compressor stations, and a modification to an existing measurement and regulation station proposed by Columbia Gulf.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the final EIS to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; and parties to this proceeding. Paper copy versions of this final EIS were mailed to those specifically requesting them; all others received a CD version. In addition, the final EIS is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8371.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search," and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (*i.e.*, CP15-514 or CP15-539). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676; for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription that allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with

<sup>1</sup> A pipeline loop is a segment of pipe constructed parallel to an existing pipeline to increase capacity.

<sup>2</sup> A pig is an internal tool that can be used to clean and dry a pipeline and/or to inspect it for damage or corrosion.

notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Dated: September 1, 2016.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER16-2527-000]

#### Caprock Solar I 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 Caprock Solar I 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 September 21, 2016.

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 5 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 electronic 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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**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

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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:* EC16-176-000.

*Applicants:* Mankato Energy Center, LLC, Southern Power Company.

*Description:* Joint Application of Mankato Energy Center, LLC, et al. for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act for Disposition of Jurisdictional Facilities and Requests for Waivers, Expedited Action, and Confidential Treatment.

*Filed Date:* 9/1/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160901-5242.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 9/22/16.

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

*Docket Numbers:* ER16-2539-000.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* Section 205(d) Rate Filing: Revisions to OATT Schedule 12—Appdx A re: RTEP Approved by the Board in Aug 2016 to be effective 11/30/2016.

*Filed Date:* 9/1/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160901-5239.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 9/22/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16-2540-000.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* Notice of Cancellation of Service Agreement No. 1571, Queue No. M23 of PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Filed Date:* 9/1/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160901-5241.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 9/22/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16-2541-000.

*Applicants:* Pioneer Wind Park I, LLC.  
*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Pioneer Wind Park I, LLC MBR Tariff to be effective 9/3/2016.

*Filed Date:* 9/2/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160902-5076.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 9/23/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16-2542-000.

*Applicants:* Public Service Company of New Mexico.

*Description:* Compliance filing: Order Nos. 827 and 828 Single Combined Compliance Filing to be effective 9/21/2016.

*Filed Date:* 9/2/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160902-5111.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 9/23/16.

*Docket Numbers:* ER16-2543-000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* Section 205(d) Rate Filing: 2016-09-02 SA 2946

MidAmerican-MidAmerican E&P (J498) to be effective 9/2/2016.

*Filed Date:* 9/2/16.

*Accession Number:* 20160902-5147.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 9/23/16.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) 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.

Dated: September 2, 2016.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Western Area Power Administration

#### Washoe Project—Rate Order No. WAPA-176

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed extension of non-firm power formula rate.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) proposes to