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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-312-B]

Application To Export Electric Energy; Emera Energy U.S. Subsidiary No. 2, Inc.

AGENCY: Office of Electricity,
Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Emera Energy U.S. Subsidiary No. 2, Inc. (Applicant or EE US No. 2) has applied to renew its authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

DATES: Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before August 15, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed to: Office of Electricity, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be retransmitted by overnight mail, by electronic mail to *Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov*, or by facsimile to 202-586-8008.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Energy (DOE) regulates exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country, pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b) and 7172(f)). Such exports require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On November 18, 2014, DOE issued Order No. EA-312-A, which authorized EE US No. 2 to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities. That authorization expires on November 18, 2019. On July 3, 2019, EE US No. 2 filed an application with DOE for renewal of the export authorization contained in Order No. EA-312-A for an additional five-year term.

In its application, the Applicant states that it “does not own or control any

electric power generation or transmission facilities and does not have a franchised electric power service area.” The electric energy that the Applicant proposes to export to Canada would be surplus energy purchased from third parties, such as electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies, pursuant to voluntary agreements. The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have previously been authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five (5) copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning EE US No. 2’s application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-312-B. An additional copy is to be provided directly to Will Szubielski, Emera Energy, 5151 Terminal Road, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 1A1, Canada; A. Michael Burnell, Emera Energy U.S. Subsidiary No. 2, Inc., Suite 101, #37 Route 236, Kittery, Maine 03904; and Bonnie A. Suchman, Suchman Law LLC, 8104 Paisley Place, Potomac, Maryland 20854.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE’s National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after DOE determines that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Angela Troy at Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP19-485-000]

Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization: Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC

Take notice that on July 2, 2019, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia), 700 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP19-485-000, a Prior Notice Request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission’s regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Columbia’s blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-76-000, requesting authorization to abandon six injection/withdrawal (I/W) wells, and associated appurtenances, and abandon in-place six associated pipelines totaling approximately 1.7 miles at the Lucas and Weaver Storage Fields located in Ashland County, Ohio. Columbia states the I/W wells have provided a de minimus contribution to the total field deliverability and casing replacement would not be cost effective due to the age of the facilities, all as more fully described in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web 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. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this prior notice should be directed to Sorana Linder, Director, Modernization & Certificates, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC, 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77002, by telephone at (832) 320-5209, or by email at sorana_linder@transcanada.com.

Any person or the Commission’s staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission’s Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice