

\* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

##### Australia—Javelin Missiles

The Government of Australia has requested to buy two hundred (200) Javelin FGM-148E missiles with U.S. Government technical assistance and other related elements of logistics and program support. The total estimated cost is not to exceed \$46 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States. Australia is one of our most important allies in the Western Pacific. The strategic location of this political and economic power contributes significantly to ensuring peace and economic stability in the region.

The Australian Defence Force (ADF) is seeking to fill a short-term shortfall in its Javelin missile inventory in order to maintain the appropriate level of readiness. Australia will not have any difficulty absorbing these missiles into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

These missiles will be provided from U.S. Army stocks. There are no known offsets associated with this sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Australia.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

Transmittal No. 20–73

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex

Item No. vii

#### (vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The Javelin Weapon System is a medium-range, man portable, shoulder-launched, fire-and-forget, anti-tank system for infantry, scouts, and combat engineers. It may also be mounted on a variety of platforms including vehicles, aircraft and watercraft. The system weighs 49.5 pounds and has a maximum range in excess of 2,500 meters. The system is highly lethal against tanks and other systems with conventional and reactive armors. The system possesses a secondary capability against bunkers.

2. Javelin's key technical feature is the use of fire-and-forget technology, which allows the gunner to fire and immediately relocate or take cover.

Additional special features are the top attack and/or direct fire modes, an advanced tandem warhead and imaging infrared seeker, target lock-on before launch, and soft launch from enclosures or covered fighting positions. The Javelin missile also has a minimum smoke motor thus decreasing its detection on the battlefield.

3. The Javelin Weapon System is comprised of two major tactical components, which are a reusable Command Launch Unit (CLU) and a round contained in a disposable launch tube assembly. The CLU incorporates an integrated day-night sight that provides a target engagement capability in adverse weather and countermeasure environments. The CLU may also be used in a stand-alone mode for battlefield surveillance and target detection. The CLU's thermal sight is a second generation Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) sensor.

4. The missile is autonomously guided to the target using an imaging infrared seeker and adaptive correlation tracking algorithms. This allows the gunner to take cover or reload and engage another target after firing a missile. The missile has an advanced tandem warhead and can be used in either the top attack or direct fire modes (for target undercover). An onboard flight computer guides the missile to the selected target.

5. The Javelin Missile System hardware and the documentation are UNCLASSIFIED.

6. If a technologically advanced adversary obtains knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures or equivalent systems that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

7. A determination has been made that Australia can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This proposed sale is necessary to further the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

8. All defense articles and services listed on this transmittal are authorized for release and export to the Government of Australia.

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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:* EC21–21–000.  
*Applicants:* North Fork Ridge Wind, LLC, The Empire District Electric Company.

*Description:* Supplement to Application of North Fork Ridge Wind, LLC, and The Empire District Electric Company.

*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5133.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

*Docket Numbers:* EC21–27–000.  
*Applicants:* Neosho Ridge Wind, LLC, The Empire District Electric Company.

*Description:* Supplement to Application of Neosho Ridge Wind, LLC, and The Empire District Electric Company.

*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5135.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EG21–52–000.  
*Applicants:* Harry Allen Solar Energy LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Harry Allen Solar Energy LLC.

*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5062.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

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

*Docket Numbers:* ER19–2846–003.  
*Applicants:* Trans Bay Cable LLC.  
*Description:* Compliance filing: Compliance filing for Docket ER19–2846 to be effective 4/23/2020.

*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5071.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

*Docket Numbers:* ER20–1087–001.  
*Applicants:* New England Electric Transmission Corporation.

*Description:* Compliance filing: Amended Order No. 864 Compliance Filing to be effective 1/27/2020.

*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5161.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.

*Docket Numbers:* ER20–1088–001.  
*Applicants:* New England Hydro Transmission Electric.

*Description:* Compliance filing: Amended Order No. 864 Compliance Filing to be effective 1/27/2020.

- Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5162.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER20–1089–001.  
*Applicants:* New England Hydro Transmission Corporation.  
*Description:* Compliance filing: Amended Order No. 864 Compliance Filing to be effective 1/27/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5166.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER20–1720–002.  
*Applicants:* Southern California Edison Company.  
*Description:* Compliance filing: SCE Response to Deficiency Letter Docket No. ER20–1720–001 to be effective N/A.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5115.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER20–1742–001.  
*Applicants:* San Diego Gas & Electric Company.  
*Description:* Compliance filing: Order No. 864 Compliance Filing to be effective 1/27/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5083.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER20–1828–001.  
*Applicants:* PacifiCorp.  
*Description:* Compliance filing: OATT Order 864—Directive 10/28/2020 to be effective N/A.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5102.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER20–2916–002.  
*Applicants:* Alabama Power Company.  
*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Amendment to Bird Dog Solar LGIA Termination Filing (Request to Defer Action) to be effective 9/18/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5113.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–223–001.  
*Applicants:* Union Electric Company.  
*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Request to Defer Action to be effective 12/31/9998.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5152.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–252–001.  
*Applicants:* Duke Energy Florida, LLC.  
*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Errata—DEF Rate Schedule No. 226 to be effective 1/1/2021.  
*Filed Date:* 12/10/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201210–5169.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 12/16/20.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–622–000.  
*Applicants:* Black Hills Power, Inc.
- Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: WAPA BA Agreement to be effective 12/31/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/10/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201210–5156.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 12/31/20.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–623–000.  
*Applicants:* Cheyenne Light, Fuel and Power Company.  
*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: WAPA BA Agreement Concurrence to be effective 12/31/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/10/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201210–5164.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 12/31/20.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–624–000.  
*Applicants:* Florida Power & Light Company.  
*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: FPL Reactive Service Rate Reduction for Transmission Service Agreements to be effective 12/1/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5000.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–625–000.  
*Applicants:* New York Independent System Operator, Inc.  
*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: NYISO 205 filing re: SENY Reserve enhancements to be effective 12/31/9998.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5002.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–626–000.  
*Applicants:* PacifiCorp.  
*Description:* Notice of Termination of Long-Term Power Transaction Agreement of PacifiCorp.  
*Filed Date:* 12/10/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201210–5183.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 12/31/20.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–627–000.  
*Applicants:* Dry Lake Solar Holdings LLC.  
*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Application for Market-Based Rate Authorization to be effective 2/10/2021.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5047.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–628–000.  
*Applicants:* Harry Allen Solar Energy LLC.  
*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Application for Market-Based Rate Authorization to be effective 2/10/2021.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5049.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–629–000.  
*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.  
*Description:* Tariff Cancellation: Notice of Cancellation of ISA, SA No. 4872; Queue No. AA2–132 to be effective 12/6/2020.
- Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5068.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–630–000.  
*Applicants:* 325MK 8ME LLC.  
*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: 325MK 8ME LLC MBR Tariff to be effective 12/14/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5094.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–631–000.  
*Applicants:* Southern California Edison Company.  
*Description:* Tariff Cancellation: Notice of Termination County of Orange SA Nos. 23 & 118 WDT040 to be effective 1/30/2021.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5098.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–632–000.  
*Applicants:* Toms River Merchant Solar, LLC.  
*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Market-Based Rate Application to be effective 2/1/2021.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5114.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–633–000.  
*Applicants:* Alabama Power Company.  
*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Vogtle 3 & 4 LGIA Amendment Filing to be effective 11/19/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5117.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
*Docket Numbers:* ER21–634–000.  
*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.  
*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Amendment to ISA/ICSA; Queue No. AE1–142 to be effective 1/7/2020.  
*Filed Date:* 12/11/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201211–5121.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/4/21.  
Take notice that the Commission received the following qualifying facility filings:  
*Docket Numbers:* QF21–222–000.  
*Applicants:* Board of Trustees of Michigan State University.  
*Description:* Form 556 of Board of Trustees of Michigan State University.  
*Filed Date:* 12/7/20.  
*Accession Number:* 20201207–5182.  
*Comments Due:* Non-Applicable.  
The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercgensearch.asp>) by querying the docket number.  
Any person desiring to intervene or 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: December 11, 2020.

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Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP20-479-000]

#### Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed 2021 Auburn A-Line Abandonment and Capacity Replacement Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the 2021 Auburn A-Line Abandonment and Capacity Replacement Project, proposed by Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), in the above-referenced docket. Northern requests authorization to construct, own, and operate a pipeline loop<sup>1</sup> and appurtenant aboveground facilities, and abandon-in-place a segment of its A-line pipeline in Nebraska. Northern's purpose for the project is to improve reliability, enable safer long-term operation of Northern's system, and serve the needs of its shippers more effectively by eliminating inefficiencies associated with the operation and maintenance of the A-line segment.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction, operation, and abandonment activities associated with the 2021 Auburn A-Line Abandonment and Capacity Replacement Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with

appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The proposed 2021 Auburn A-Line Abandonment and Capacity Replacement Project includes the following:

- Construction of approximately 4.4 miles of new 8-inch-diameter pipeline loop in Lancaster and Otoe Counties, Nebraska (proposed B-line);
- installation of a pig<sup>2</sup> launcher and valve station in Lancaster County, Nebraska;
- installation of a regulation station in Otoe County, Nebraska; and
- abandonment in-place of approximately 31.7 miles of 4- and 6-inch-diameter A-line in Lancaster, Otoe, Johnson, and Nemaha counties, Nebraska.

The Commission mailed a copy of the *Notice of Availability* 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; and newspapers and libraries in the project area. The EA is only available in electronic format. It may be viewed and downloaded from the FERC's website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)), on the natural gas environmental documents page (<https://www.ferc.gov/industries-data/natural-gas/environment/environmental-documents>). In addition, the EA may be accessed by using the eLibrary link on the FERC's website. Click on the eLibrary link (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>), select General Search and enter the docket number in the Docket Number field, excluding the last three digits (*i.e.* CP20-479). 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, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

The EA is not a decision document. It presents Commission staff's independent analysis of the environmental issues for the Commission to consider when addressing the merits of all issues in this proceeding. Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the EA's disclosure and discussion of potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful

they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 11, 2021.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has staff available to assist you at (866) 208-3676 or [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). Please carefully follow these instructions so that your comments are properly recorded.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to FERC Online. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to FERC Online. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on eRegister. You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select Comment on a Filing; or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the Commission. Be sure to reference the project docket number (CP20-479) on your letter. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered. Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing or judicial review of the Commission's decision. At this point in this proceeding, the timeframe for filing timely intervention requests has expired. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene out-of-time pursuant to Rule 214(b)(3) and (d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214(b)(3) and (d)) and show good cause why the time

<sup>1</sup> A loop is a pipeline that is constructed adjacent to another pipeline for the purpose of increasing capacity in this portion of the system.

<sup>2</sup> A pig is a tool that is inserted into and pushed through the pipeline for cleaning the pipeline, conducting internal inspections, or other purposes.