

prewash program nor a main detergent compartment, determine the amount of main wash detergent (in grams) to be added directly into the washing chamber according to section 2.10.2 of Appendix C1.

(3) *Representations*. FOTILE may not make representations about the energy and water use of a basic model listed in paragraph (1) of this Order for compliance, marketing, or other purposes unless that basic model has been tested in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2) of this Order and such representations fairly disclose the results of such testing.

(4) This Extension of Waiver shall remain in effect according to the provisions of 10 CFR 430.27.

(5) This Extension of Waiver is issued on the condition that the statements, representations, and documentation provided by FOTILE are valid. If FOTILE makes any modifications to the controls or configurations of these basic models, the waiver will no longer be valid and FOTILE will either be required to use the current Federal test method or submit a new application for a test procedure waiver. DOE may rescind or modify this Extension of Waiver (and/or the underlying Order issued in Case Number 2020–020) at any time if it determines the factual basis underlying the petition for extension of waiver (and/or the underlying Order issued in Case Number 2020–020) is incorrect, or the results from the alternate test procedure are unrepresentative of a basic model's true energy consumption characteristics. 10 CFR 430.27(k)(1). Likewise, FOTILE may request that DOE rescind or modify the Extension of Waiver (and/or the underlying Order issued in Case Number 2020–020) if FOTILE discovers an error in the information provided to DOE as part of its petition, determines that the waiver is no longer needed, or for other appropriate reasons. 10 CFR 430.27(k)(2).

(6) FOTILE remains obligated to fulfill all applicable requirements set forth at 10 CFR part 429.

DOE makes decisions on waiver extensions, for only those basic models specifically set out in the request, not future models that may be manufactured by the petitioner. FOTILE may submit a new or amended petition for waiver and request for grant of interim waiver, as appropriate, for additional basic models of dishwashers. Alternatively, if appropriate, FOTILE may request that DOE extend the scope of a waiver or interim waiver to include additional basic models employing the same technology as the basic models set forth

in the original petition consistent with 10 CFR 430.27(g).

#### Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on July 17, 2021, by Kelly Speakes-Backman, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary and Acting Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on July 19, 2021.

**Treana V. Garrett,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA–489]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; North Star Electric Cooperative

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** North Star Electric Cooperative (Applicant or North Star) has applied for 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 23, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed by electronic mail to [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov), or by facsimile to (202) 586–8008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Matt Aronoff, 202–586–5863, [matthew.aronoff@hq.doe.gov](mailto:matthew.aronoff@hq.doe.gov).

**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 42 U.S.C. 7172(f)). Such exports require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On June 6, 2021, North Star filed an application with DOE (Application or App.) to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada for a term of five years. North Star states that it “is a cooperative corporation organized under Minnesota state law with its principal place of business [in] Baudette, MN.” App. at 4. North Star also describes itself as “a distribution cooperative member-owner of Minnkota Power Cooperative (‘Minnkota’), a generation and transmission . . . cooperative that provides wholesale power requirements to North Star and its other member-owned cooperatives.” *Id.* at 1–2. North Star further represents that “because [it] is a cooperative, [its] customers are its member-owners.” *Id.* at 1.

North Star states that it “does not own any of its own power generation facilities itself, but instead purchases all of its power supply requirements (to serve its retail customers) from Minnkota.” App. at 2.

At the time of its application, North Star served residential customers in Canada “via two radial, low-voltage feeds that cross the U.S.-Canadian border and extend ten miles from Minnkota’s International Falls Substation in northern Minnesota to the border and then into Canada.” App. at 2. It describes these customers as “in Canadian waters.” *Id.* North Star has applied for an export authorization “so that it may continue to serve its existing customers in Canada and to serve any future customers that may be tapped off the described radial lines,” including three new customers—also in Canadian waters—who have requested service. *Id.* at 3. North Star contends that its proposed exports “will not impair the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States” and will not “impede or tend to impede the coordination in the public interest of facilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.” *Id.*

The Applicant represents that the existing cross-border distribution facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have been in operation for at least 50 years. *See* App. at 7. North Star has exported power over these distribution facilities without holding the required export authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act, and “regrets that it did not obtain this required authorization earlier.” *Id.* at 3. The Applicant states that “in July 2018, after being approached by three

prospective customers about extending retail service to new customer[s] in Canadian waters, North Star discovered it did not have the necessary authorization” to export power to customers in Canada. *Id.* at 2–3. North Star, via its power supplier, found that it did not hold a required Presidential Permit. *See id.* at 3. North Star has represented that it “was not aware of the requirement to have either a Presidential permit or export authorization.” *Id.* North Star has further represented that “[a]s soon as it became aware of [the] requirements, [it] contacted counsel to determine appropriate remedial actions, including filing the necessary applications and obtaining the required permit(s) and authorization.” *Id.* Accordingly, the Applicant has submitted this application for export and, concurrently, submitted an application for a Presidential Permit.

**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).

Comments and other filings concerning North Star’s application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA–489. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Daniel E. Frank, 700 Sixth St. NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001–3980, [danielfrank@eversheds-sutherland.com](mailto:danielfrank@eversheds-sutherland.com).

A final decision will be made on the requested authorization after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE’s National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after DOE evaluates whether the proposed action will have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of the Application will be made available, upon request, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Matt Aronoff at [matthew.aronoff@hq.doe.gov](mailto:matthew.aronoff@hq.doe.gov).

Signed in Washington, DC, on July 19, 2021.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2310–243]

#### Pacific Gas and Electric Company; 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:* Temporary variance of license requirement.
- b. *Project No.:* 2310–243.
- c. *Date Filed:* July 8, 2021 and supplemented on July 14, 2021.
- d. *Applicant:* Pacific Gas and Electric Company (licensee).
- e. *Name of Project:* Drum-Spaulding Project.
- f. *Location:* South Yuba River and Bear River in Placer and Nevada counties, California.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Michelle Ocken, License Coordinator, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, (530) 863–3439.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Robert Ballantine, (202) 502–6289, [robert.ballantine@ferc.gov](mailto:robert.ballantine@ferc.gov).
- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests is 20 days from the issuance of this notice by the Commission (August 4, 2021).

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests 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, you may submit a paper copy. 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, MD 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P–2310–243. Comments emailed to Commission staff are not considered part of the Commission record.

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:* Due to persistent drought conditions, the licensee requests Commission approval of a temporary variance of the minimum flow requirement at streamflow gage YB–292 (Mormon Ravine). The licensee is requesting to decrease the target flow from an instantaneous 5 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 3 cfs, measured as a 24-hour average. The reduced flow is necessary to manage water resources in association with Placer County Water Agency and license required flows. If granted, the variance would last through October 1, 2021, or until adequate precipitation occurs to ensure that inflow equals outflow at the referenced reservoir for at least seven consecutive days, whichever comes later.

l. *Locations of the Application:* The Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission’s website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. 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. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission’s Public Reference Room due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID–19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at