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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP22-2-000]

#### Gas Transmission Northwest LLC; Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed GTN Xpress Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the GTN Xpress Project (Project), proposed by Gas Transmission Northwest LLC (GTN) in the above-referenced docket. GTN proposes to modify existing compressor stations in Idaho, Washington, and Oregon. This Project would increase the capacity of GTN's existing natural gas transmission system by about 150 million standard cubic feet per day between Idaho and Oregon. According to GTN, the Project is necessary to serve the growing market demand its system is experiencing.

The final EIS assesses the potential environmental effects of modifying and installing new facilities at the existing compressor stations in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed Project, with the mitigation measures recommended in the EIS, would result in some adverse environmental impacts, but none that are considered significant. Regarding climate change impacts, the EIS is not characterizing the Project's greenhouse gas emissions as significant or insignificant because the Commission is conducting a generic proceeding to determine whether and how the Commission will conduct significance

determinations going forward.<sup>1</sup> The EIS also concludes that no system or other alternative would meet the Project objectives while providing a significant environmental advantage over the Project as proposed.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency participated as a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EIS. A cooperating agency has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially affected by the proposal and participates in the NEPA analysis.

The final EIS addresses the potential environmental effects of construction and operation of the following Project facilities at GTN's existing compressor stations:

#### Athol Compressor Station (Kootenai County, Idaho)

- Uprate an existing Solar Turban Titan 130 gas-fired turbine compressor from 14,300 horsepower (HP) to 23,470 HP via a software upgrade only, no mechanical work or ground disturbance would occur at this location.

#### Starbuck Compressor Station (Walla Walla County, Washington)

- Uprate an existing Solar Turban Titan 130 gas-fired turbine compressor from 14,300 HP to 23,470 HP; and
- Install a new 23,470 HP Solar Turbine Titan 130 gas-fired turbine compressor, 3 new gas cooling bays, and associated piping.

#### Kent Compressor Station (Sherman County, Oregon)

- Uprate an existing Solar Turban Titan 130 gas-fired turbine compressor from 14,300 HP to 23,470 HP;
- Install 4 new gas cooling bays and associated piping; and
- Improve an existing access road.

The new Starbuck Compressor Station facilities would be located within the fenced boundaries of the existing site. The new Kent Compressor Station facilities would be located in an expanded and fenced area abutting the existing site.

The Commission mailed a copy of the *Notice of Availability* of the final EIS to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Indian tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; and newspapers and libraries in the Project area. The final EIS is only available in electronic format. It may be

<sup>1</sup> *Consideration of Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Natural Gas Infrastructure Project Reviews*, 178 FERC ¶ 61,108 (2022); 178 FERC ¶ 61,197 (2022).

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/environmental-environmental-documents>). In addition, the final EIS 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.*, CP22-2). 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 EIS 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.

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) using the eLibrary link. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 346-071; 2454-084; 2532-092; 2663-061]

#### Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests; ALLETE, Inc.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed

with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Application Type*: Amendment of License Terms.

b. *Project Nos.*: P-346-071, P-2454-084, P-2532-092, and P-2663-061.

c. *Date Filed*: October 20, 2022.

d. *Applicant*: ALLETE, Inc.

e. *Name of Project*: Blanchard (P-346), Sylvan (P-2454), Little Falls (P-2532), and Pillager (P-2663) Hydroelectric Projects.

f. *Location*: The Blanchard and Little Falls projects are located on the Mississippi River in Morrison County, Minnesota; the Sylvan and Pillager projects are located on the Crow Wing River, in Cass, Crow Wing, and Morrison Counties, Minnesota.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Greg Prom, Senior Environmental Compliance Specialist, Minnesota Power, 30 West Superior Street, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, (218) 355-3191, [gprom@allete.com](mailto:gprom@allete.com).

i. *FERC Contact*: Ashish Desai, (202) 502-8370, [Ashish.Desai@ferc.gov](mailto:Ashish.Desai@ferc.gov)

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests*: December 19, 2022.

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, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include the docket numbers P-346-071, P-2454-084, P-2532-092, or P-2663-061. 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*: Allete, Inc., licensee for the Blanchard Project No. 346, Sylvan Project No. 2454, Little Falls Project No. 2532, and the Pillager Project No. 2663, filed a request to accelerate the license term for the Blanchard Project and extend the license terms for the Sylvan, Little Falls, and Pillager projects to August 24, 2040, so that they would be relicensed concurrently. Currently the licenses for the Sylvan, Little Falls, and Pillager projects expire on March 31, 2028, and the license for the Blanchard Project expires on August 24, 2043. The licensee states that aligning the expiration dates for the projects would significantly enhance process efficiencies and allow for the combining of relicensing efforts for all the projects. In addition, the licensee states that aligning the expiration dates of adjacent projects would facilitate a more comprehensive analysis of common resources.

l. *Locations of the Application*: This filing may be viewed on the Commission's website 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. 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.

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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*: EC23-29-000.

*Applicants*: Brantley Farm Solar, LLC, Buckleberry Solar, LLC, Fox Creek Farm Solar, LLC, Innovative Solar 54, LLC, Innovative Solar 67, LLC.

*Description*: Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act of Brantley Farm Solar, LLC, et al.

*Filed Date*: 11/17/22.

*Accession Number*: 20221117-5193.

*Comment Date*: 5 p.m. ET 12/8/22.

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

*Docket Numbers*: ER20-2575-001.

*Applicants*: Transource Missouri, LLC, American Electric Power Service Corporation, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

*Description*: Compliance filing: Transource Missouri, LLC submits tariff filing per 35: AEP on behalf of affiliate Transource Missouri, Amended Order No. 864 Compliance to be effective 1/27/2020.