Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

Docket Numbers: ER23–2623–000.

Applicants: Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2nd
Amendment to IA and NITS between
PSE and Boeing to be effective 7/31/
2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5002. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

Docket Numbers: ER23–2624–000. Applicants: American Electric Power Service Corporation, Ohio Power Company, AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc., PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: American Electric Power Service Corporation submits tariff filing per 35.13(a)(2)(iii: AEP submits two Facilities Agreements re: ILDSA, SA No. 1336 to be effective 10/16/2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5073. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

Docket Numbers: ER23–2625–000. Applicants: NRG Business Marketing LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Notice of Succession and Request for Waiver to be effective 8/1/2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5076. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

Docket Numbers: ER23–2626–000. Applicants: NRG Power Marketing LLG.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Notice of Cancellation and Request for Waiver to be effective 8/1/2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5079. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

Docket Numbers: ER23–2627–000. Applicants: Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative.

Description: Annual Informational Attachment H filing of Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5100. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

Docket Numbers: ER23–2628–000. Applicants: Duke Energy Florida,

LLĆ.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: DEF-Bartow Amended and Restated NITSA SA 145 to be effective 11/1/2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5101. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

Docket Numbers: ER23–2629–000. Applicants: High Banks Wind, LLC.

Description: Baseline eTariff Filing: High Banks Wind, LLC Application for Market-Based Rate Authorization to be effective 10/1/2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5104. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 9/5/23.

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, to protest, or to answer a complaint in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211, 214, or 206 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214, or 385.206) 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.

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Dated: August 15, 2023.

# Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Deputy Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

### **Combined Notice of Filings**

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas and Oil Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

# Filings in Existing Proceedings

Docket Numbers: PR23–63–002. Applicants: Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC.

Description: § 284.123 Rate Filing: BHKG Amended SOC Filing to be effective 8/1/2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5000. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/28/23. Docket Numbers: RP23–937–001. Applicants: Rockies Express Pipeline

Description: Tariff Amendment: REX 2023–08–15 RP23–937 Amendment to be effective 8/1/2023.

Filed Date: 8/15/23.

Accession Number: 20230815–5085. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 8/28/23.

Any person desiring to protest in any the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

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Dated: August 15, 2023.

### Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Deputy Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2800-054]

Essex Company, LLC; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document (Pad), Commencement of Pre-Filing Process, and Scoping, Request For Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for a New

License and Commencing Pre-filing Process.

b. Project No.: 2800-054.

- c. Dated Filed: June 16, 2023.
- d. Submitted By: Essex Company, LLC (Essex).
- e. Name of Project: Lawrence Hydroelectric Project (Lawrence Project).
- f. Location: The project is located on the Merrimack River in the City of Lawrence in Essex County, Massachusetts.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR part 5 of the Commission's Regulations.

h. Applicant Contact: Kevin Webb, Hydro Licensing Manager, Essex Company, 670 N Commercial Street, Suite 204, Manchester, NH 03101; (978) 935–6039; kwebb@patriothydro.com.

i. FERC Contact: Bill Connelly at (202) 502–8587 or email at william.connelly@

ferc.gov.

j. Cooperating agencies: Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item o below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. See 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with: (a) the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR part 402; and (b) the State Historic Preservation Office, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating Essex as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. Essex filed with the Commission a Pre-Application Document (PAD), including a proposed process plan and schedule, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. A copy of the PAD may be viewed on the Commission's website (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 TYY, (202) 502–8659.

You may register online at https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOnline.aspx to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to these or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

o. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and Commission staff's Scoping Document 1 (SD1), as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and SD1, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from staff related to the merits of the potential application must be filed with the Commission.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file all documents using the Commission's eFiling system at https:// ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOnline.aspx. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at https://ferconline.gov/ QuickComment.aspx. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. 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 docket number P-2800-

All filings with the Commission must bear the appropriate heading:
"Comments on Pre-Application
Document," "Study Requests,"
"Comments on Scoping Document 1,"
"Request for Cooperating Agency
Status," or "Communications to and from Commission Staff." Any individual or entity interested in submitting study requests, commenting on the PAD or SD1, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so by October 14, 2023.1

p. The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202)502–6595 or OPP@ ferc.gov.

q. The Commission's scoping process will help determine the required level of analysis and satisfy the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) scoping requirements, irrespective of whether the Commission prepares an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

## **Scoping Meetings**

Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings for the project to receive input on the scope of the NEPA document. An evening meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on September 13, 2023, at the Elk's Lodge #65 in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and will focus on receiving input from the public. A daytime meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on September 14, 2023, at Lawrence Public Library in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and will focus on the concerns of resource agencies, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), and Indian Tribes. We invite all interested agencies, Indian Tribes, nongovernmental organizations, and individuals to attend one or both meetings. Spanish-English translation services will be provided. If a significant number of people are interested in providing oral comments, a time limit of 3 minutes may need to be implemented for each commentor.

The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

Evening Scoping Meeting

*Date:* Wednesday, September 13, 2023.

Time: 7:00 p.m. (EDT).
Place: Elks Lodge #65.
Address: 652 Andover Street,
Lawrence, MA 01843.

awrence, MA 01843. *Phone:* (978) 687–7274.

Daytime Scoping Meeting

Date: Thursday, September 14, 2023. *Time:* 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure provide that if a filing deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday, holiday, or other day when the Commission is closed for business, the filing deadline does not end until the close of business on the next business day. 18 CFR 385.2007(a)(2)

<sup>(2022).</sup> Because the filing deadline falls on a Saturday (*i.e.*, September 2, 2023), the filing deadline is extended until the close of business on Monday, October 16, 2023.

*Place:* Lawrence Public Library, Sargent Auditorium.

Address: 51 Lawrence Street, Lawrence, MA 01841.

Phone: (978) 620-3600.

SD1, which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list and Essex's distribution list. Copies of SD1 may be viewed on the web at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a>, using the "eLibrary" link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 may include a revised process plan and schedule, as well as a list of issues, identified through the scoping process.

## **Environmental Site Review**

The applicant and Commission staff will conduct an environmental site review of the project. All interested individuals, agencies, tribes, and NGOs are invited to attend. Please RSVP via email to *Mkinney@patriothydro.com* or notify Miley Kinney at (603) 732–8162 on or before September 5, 2023 if you plan to attend the environmental site review. The time and location of the environmental site review is as follows:

Lawrence Project

Date: Wednesday, September 13, 2023.

Time: 9:00 a.m. (EDT).

Place:

Lawrence Gateway parking lot.

Address: 70 General Street, Lawrence,
MA 01840

Participants will meet at the Lawrence Gateway parking lot and depart to the Lawrence at 9:15 a.m. (EDT). Essex will provide transportation to the project facilities. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the Lawrence Gateway parking lot.

All persons attending the environmental site review must wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes or boots. The applicant will provide hard hats to attendees for entry into low-overhead areas, if needed; however, participants who have their own hardhats should bring them.

## **Meeting Objectives**

At the scoping meetings, Commission staff will: (1) initiate scoping of the issues; (2) review and discuss existing conditions; (3) review and discuss existing information and identify preliminary information and study needs; (4) review and discuss the process plan and schedule for pre-filing activity that incorporates the time frames provided for in Part 5 of the

Commission's regulations and, to the extent possible, maximizes coordination of federal, state, and tribal permitting and certification processes; and (5) discuss the potential of any federal or state agency or Indian tribe to act as a cooperating agency for development of an environmental document.

Meeting participants should come prepared to discuss their issues and/or concerns. Please review the PAD in preparation for the scoping meetings. Directions on how to obtain a copy of the PAD and SD1 are included in item n of this document.

# **Meeting Procedures**

Commission staff are moderating the scoping meetings. The meetings are recorded by an independent stenographer and become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project. Individuals, NGOs, Indian Tribes, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meeting and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the NEPA document.

Dated: August 15, 2023.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0659; FRL-11250-01-ORD]

Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Participatory Science and Crowdsourcing Projects (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Generic Clearance for Participatory Science and Crowdsourcing Projects (Renewal)" (EPA ICR No. 2521.39, OMB Control No. 2080-0083) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through January 31, 2024. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond

to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 20, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0659 referencing the Docket ID numbers provided for each item in the text, online using https://www.regulations.gov/(our preferred method), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Heather Drumm, ORD—OSAPE, (8104R), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202–564–8239; email address: Drumm.Heather@epa.gov.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Supporting documents that explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at http://www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202–566–1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit http://www.epa.gov/dockets.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to: (i) evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. EPA will consider the comments