

Development consists of two dams—a 90-foot-long, 18.5-foot-high concrete gravity dam on the North Channel of Sewalls Island (North Channel dam) and a 243-foot-long, 15.5-foot-high concrete gravity dam on the South Channel of Sewalls Island. A 4-acre reservoir with a storage capacity of 48-acre-feet at an elevation of 466.45 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 was created by the dams.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) two new powerhouses—a 70-foot-long by 30-foot-wide reinforced concrete powerhouse at the North Channel dam (powerhouse #1) and a 60-foot-long, 40-foot-wide reinforced concrete powerhouse downstream on the North Channel at the lower end of Sewalls Island (powerhouse #2); (2) a new 70-foot-long, 25-foot-wide integral intake structure at the North Channel dam for use by both powerhouses; (3) a new 12.5-foot-diameter, 1,250-foot-long steel and concrete penstock for conveying water to powerhouse #2 that would involve the demolition of the existing 80-foot-long, 16-foot-high Black Clawson Dam on the western tip of the island in the North Channel; (4) an axial flow vertical turbine-generator unit with an installed capacity of 3,600 kilowatts (kW) and a micro turbine-generator unit with an installed capacity of 15.7 kW housed in powerhouse #1; (5) one or more axial flow vertical turbine-generator unit(s) with a total installed capacity of 5,500 kW housed in powerhouse #2; (6) a new approximately 120-foot-long access road for powerhouse #1 and a new approximately 320-foot-long access road for powerhouse #2; (7) a new 1,900-foot-long, 23-kilovolt (kV) transmission line connecting the powerhouses to the existing switchyard of the Black River Project's Sewalls Development (option 1) or a new 4,270-foot-long, 23-kV transmission line connecting the powerhouses to a switchyard adjacent to the New York Airbrake Manufacturing plant; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of approximately 2,245 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Brian McArthur, LinkPast Solutions, Inc., P.O. Box 5474, Clark, NJ 07066; phone: (848) 628-4414.

FERC Contact: Monir Chowdhury; phone: (202) 502-6736.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOOnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOOnlineSupport@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.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>. Enter the docket number (P-15302) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: December 14, 2023.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL24-22-000]

Madison Fields Solar Project, LLC; Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

On December 13, 2023, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. EL24-22-000, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e, instituting an investigation to determine whether Madison Fields Solar Project, LLC's Rate Schedule is unjust, unreasonable, unduly discriminatory or preferential, or otherwise unlawful. *Madison Fields Solar Project, LLC*, 185 FERC ¶ 61,183 (2023).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL24-22-000 established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, or the date Madison Fields' Rate Schedule becomes effective, whichever is later, provided, however, if the Rate Schedule does not become effective until after 5 months from the date of publication of the notice, the refund effective date shall be 5 months from the date of publication of the notice.

Any interested person desiring to be heard in Docket No. EL24-22-000, must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate, with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, in accordance with Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.214 (2022), within 21 days of the date of issuance of the order.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, 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 Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field. User assistance is available for eLibrary and the FERC's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at 202-502-6652 (toll free at 1-866-208-3676) or email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502-8371, TTY (202) 502-8659. Email the Public Reference Room at public.referenceroom@ferc.gov.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFile" link at <http://www.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 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*.

Dated: December 13, 2023.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Deputy Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[MB Docket No. 11-43; DA 23-1119; FRS 190156]

Audio Description: Preliminary Nonbroadcast Network Rankings

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: FCC announces the top national nonbroadcast network rankings from the 2022-2023 ratings year, and gives networks the opportunity to seek exemption from the July 1, 2024 update to the Commission's audio description requirements.

DATES: Exemption requests are due January 19, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Filings should be submitted electronically in MB Docket No. 11-43 by accessing the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) at <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting filings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Diana Sokolow (202-418-0588; *Diana.Sokolow@fcc.gov*).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Media Bureau's Public Notice, DA 23-1119, released on November 30, 2023. The full text of this public notice will be available electronically in ASCII, Microsoft Word, and/or Adobe Acrobat via ECFS. Alternative formats are available for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), by sending an email to *fcc504@fcc.gov* or calling the Commission's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), 1-844-4-FCC-ASL (1-844-432-2275) (videophone).

Synopsis

The Commission's audio description rules require multichannel video programming distributor (MVPD) systems that serve 50,000 or more

subscribers to provide 87.5 hours of audio description¹ per calendar quarter on channels carrying each of the top five national nonbroadcast networks.² The top five national nonbroadcast networks are defined by an average of the national audience share during prime time among nonbroadcast networks that reach 50 percent or more of MVPD households and have at least 50 hours per quarter of prime time programming that is not live or near-live or otherwise exempt under the audio description rules.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, the list of top five nonbroadcast networks is updated at three year intervals to account for changes in ratings, and the fourth triennial update will occur on July 1, 2024, based on the 2022 to 2023 ratings year.³ According to data provided by the Nielsen Company, for the purposes of our requirements, the top ten nonbroadcast networks for the 2022 to 2023 ratings year are: Fox News Channel, ESPN, MSNBC, HGTV, Hallmark, TLC, TNT, TBS, Discovery, and History.

If a program network believes it should be excluded from the list of top five networks covered by the audio description requirements because it does not air at least 50 hours per quarter of prime time programming that is not live or near-live or is otherwise exempt, it must seek an exemption no later than 30 days after publication of this Public Notice in the **Federal Register**. The Media Bureau will promptly evaluate requests for exemption and will provide notice of any resulting revisions to the list.

Federal Communications Commission.

Thomas Horan,
Chief of Staff, Media Bureau.

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¹ Audio description makes video programming accessible to individuals who are blind or visually impaired through "[t]he insertion of audio narrated descriptions of a television program's key visual elements into natural pauses between the program's dialogue." 47 CFR 79.3(a)(3).

² The rule requires that 50 hours per calendar quarter be provided in prime time or during children's programming, while the additional 37.5 hours may be provided at any time between 6 a.m. and 11:59 p.m. local time.

³ The nonbroadcast networks currently subject to the audio description requirements are TLC, HGTV, Hallmark, History, and TBS. We note that the Media Bureau granted TBS a limited waiver of section 79.3(b)(4) of the audio description rules for the triennial period beginning on July 1, 2021 and ending on June 30, 2024.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-0609; FR ID 190753]

Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission Under Delegated Authority

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before February 20, 2024. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email to *PRA@fcc.gov* and to *Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0609.