provide justification by reference to factors set forth in Rule 214(d) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. <sup>11</sup> A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies (paper or electronic) of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties.

#### Tracking the Proceeding

Throughout the proceeding, additional information about the project will be available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208–FERC, or on the FERC website at www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link as described above. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. For more information and to register, go to www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp.

Intervention Deadline: 5 p.m. eastern time on April 8, 2024.

Dated: March 18, 2024.

#### Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Acting Secretary.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

# Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

	Docket Nos.
	Docket Nos.
Cottontail Solar 4, LLC	EL24-77-000
Cottontail Solar 5, LLC	EL24-78-000
Cottontail Solar 6, LLC	EL24-79-000

On March 18, 2024, the Commission issued an order in Docket Nos. EL24–77–000, EL24–78–000, and EL24–79–000, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e, instituting an investigation to determine whether Cottontail Solar 4, LLC, Cottontail Solar 5, LLC, and Cottontail Solar 6, LLC's (collectively, Applicants) Rate Schedules are unjust,

unreasonable, unduly discriminatory or preferential, or otherwise unlawful. *Cottontail Solar 4, LLC, et al.,* 186 FERC ¶ 61,187 (2024).

The refund effective date in Docket Nos. EL24–77–000, EL24–78–000, and EL24–79–000, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, or the dates Applicants' Rate Schedules each become effective, whichever is later, provided, however, if the Rate Schedules do not become effective until after 5 months from the date of publication of the notice, the refund effective dates shall be 5 months from the date of publication of the notice.

Any interested person desiring to be heard in Docket Nos. EL24–77–000, EL24–78–000, and EL24–79–000 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 (2023), 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. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. From FERC's Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. 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: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street

NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

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Dated: March 18, 2024.

#### Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Acting Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 6412-001]

# Empire Hydro Partners, Lyonsdale Hydroelectric Co., Inc.; Notice of Transfer of Exemption

- 1. By letter filed March 1, 2024, Empire Hydro Partners and Lyonsdale Hydroelectric Co., Inc. informed the Commission that the exemption from licensing for the Port Leyden Project No. 6412, originally issued April 4, 1983,¹ has been transferred to Lyonsdale Hydroelectric Co., Inc. The project is located on the Black River in the Village of Port Leyden, Towns of Leyden and Lyonsdale, Lewis County, New York. The transfer of an exemption does not require Commission approval.
- 2. Lyonsdale Hydroelectric Co., Inc., located at 35 Harbor Cove Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77381 is now the exemptee of the Port Leyden Project No. 6412.

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#### Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Acting Secretary.

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<sup>11 18</sup> CFR 385.214(b)(3) and (d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Lyonsdale Hydroelectric Co., Inc., 23 FERC ¶62,005 (1983) (Order Granting Exemption from Licensing of a Small Hydroelectric Project of 5 Megawatts or Less).