

documentation necessary to support a waiver will vary depending on the date of the refueling associated with a particular import. Any waiver granted shall terminate not later than January 1, 2028, and no requests for a waiver or for extension of a waiver will be accepted or granted after that date.

Confidential Business Information

Pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.11, any person submitting information that he or she believes to be confidential and exempt by law from public disclosure should submit via email two well-marked copies: one copy of the document marked confidential including all the information believed to be confidential, and one copy of the document marked non-confidential with the information believed to be confidential deleted. DOE will make its own determination about the confidential status of the information and the information will be treated in accordance with this determination. As appropriate, DOE will provide all information submitted by the applicant to the Department of State and the Department of Commerce for purposes of consultation.

Definitions

The terms “applicant” and “importer” mean any U.S. person who is a uranium broker, end user of Russian LEU, or any other U.S. person who will add value to the imported Russian LEU by processing, handling, or otherwise modifying it in some way before it is received by the ultimate end user.

The terms “low-enriched uranium” and “LEU” mean both low-enriched uranium as defined in section 3102 of the USEC Privatization Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h); and low-enriched uranium as defined in section 3112A(a) of that Act (42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a(a)).

The term “Russian Entity” means an entity organized under the laws of or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the Government of the Russian Federation.

The phrase “Russian LEU” means:

(1) Unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation or by a Russian entity; and
 (2) Unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is determined to have been exchanged with, swapped for, or otherwise obtained in lieu of unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation or by a Russian entity in a manner designed to circumvent the restrictions under 42 U.S.C. 2297h–10a(d).

The term “U.S. nuclear energy company” means a company that is organized under the laws of, or

otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of, the United States; and is involved in the nuclear energy industry.

Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on May 20, 2024, by Dr. K. Michael Goff, Acting Assistant Secretary for Nuclear 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 May 20, 2024.

Treena V. Garrett,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[GDO Docket No. EA–427]

Application for Amended Authorization To Export Electric Energy; Versant Power

AGENCY: Grid Deployment Office, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Versant Power (the Applicant), formerly known as Emera Maine, has applied 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 June 10, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed by electronic mail to Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janessa Zucchetto, (240) 474–8226, Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Department of Energy (DOE) regulates electricity exports from the United States to foreign countries in accordance with section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)) and regulations thereunder (10 CFR 205.300 *et seq.*). Sections 301(b)

and 402(f) of the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b) and 7172(f)) transferred this regulatory authority, previously exercised by the now-defunct Federal Power Commission, to DOE.

Section 202(e) of the FPA provides that an entity which seeks to export electricity must obtain an order from DOE authorizing that export (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)). On April 10, 2023, the authority to issue such orders was delegated to the DOE’s Grid Deployment Office (GDO) by Delegation Order No. S1–DEL–S3–2023 and Redelegation Order No. S3–DEL–GD1–2023.

On December 5, 1963, DOE issued Order No. E–6751 authorizing Maine Public Service Company (Maine Public) to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. On October 7, 2020, Versant Power filed an application (Application or App.) with DOE seeking to rescind Order No. E–6751 and have the authorization to export electric energy issued to Versant Power. App. at 1. DOE did not act upon Versant Power’s initial application to rescind and reissue Order No. E–6751.

According to the Application, Maine Public merged with Bangor Hydro Electric Company (Bangor Hydro) to form Emera Maine on January 1, 2014. App. at 1. Emera Maine then changed its name to Versant Power in May 2020. *Id.* Versant Power states that it is a “Maine corporation in the business of the purchase, sale, transmission and distribution of electricity in the state of Maine.” *Id.* at 2. The Applicant states it is the principal operating subsidiary of BHE Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation. *Id.* Versant Power further states that it “has received market-based rate authority from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.” *Id.* The Applicant does not “own [any] generation and only engage[s] in the wholesale marketing of generation[.]” *Id.* at 6. Additionally, Versant Power represents that since it is primarily a transmission and distribution utility, “any sales of electric energy will be surplus to the needs of the customers within [the Applicant’s] service territory, so that the export of power will not impair the sufficiency of electric power supply in the U.S.” App. at 6. Further, the Applicant states it agrees to abide by the export limits of the transmission facilities over which it seeks to export and asserts its exports “will not impede or tend to impede the coordinated use of transmission facilities within the meaning of Section 202(e) of the FPA.” *Id.* at 8.

The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have been previously

authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties. See App. at Exhibit C.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the Application at Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of FERC's 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 Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214).

Comments and other filings concerning Versant Power's Application should be clearly marked with GDO Docket No. EA-427. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Philip C. Smith, Corporate Counsel, Versant Power, P.O. Box 932, Bangor, ME 04401, philip.smith@versantpower.com, and Bonnie A. Suchman, Suchman Law LLC, 8104 Paisley Place, Potomac, Maryland 20854, bonnie@suchmanlawllc.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 United States electric power supply system.

Copies of this Application will be made available, upon request, by accessing the program website at <https://www.energy.gov/gdo/pending-applications-0> or by emailing Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov.

Signing Authority: This document of the Department of Energy was signed on May 21, 2024, by Maria Robinson, Director, Grid Deployment Office, 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 May 21, 2024.

Treana V. Garrett,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[GDO Docket No. EA-97-E]

Application for Renewal of Authorization To Export Electric Energy; Portland General Electric Company

AGENCY: Grid Deployment Office, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Portland General Electric Company (the Applicant or PGE) has applied for renewed 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 June 24, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed by electronic mail to Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janessa Zucchetto, (240) 474-8226, Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Department of Energy (DOE) regulates electricity exports from the United States to foreign countries in accordance with section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)) and regulations thereunder (10 CFR 205.300 *et seq.*). Sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b) and 7172(f)) transferred this regulatory authority, previously exercised by the now-defunct Federal Power Commission, to DOE.

Section 202(e) of the FPA provides that an entity which seeks to export electricity must obtain an order from DOE authorizing that export (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)). On April 10, 2023, the authority to issue such orders was delegated to the DOE's Grid Deployment Office (GDO) by Delegation Order No. S1-DEL-S3-2023 and Redlegation Order No. S3-DEL-GD1-2023.

On April 29, 1994, DOE issued Order No. EA-97 authorizing PGE to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a period of two years. DOE renewed this authority in 1996 (Order No. EA-97-A),

1998 (Order No. EA-97-B), 2004 (Order No. EA-97-C), and 2014 (Order No. EA-97-D). On April 19, 2024, PGE filed an application with DOE (Application or App.) for renewal of its export authority for a ten-year term. App. at 1.

In its Application, PGE states that it is "authorized to do business in the State of Oregon, with its principal place of business located at 121 SW Salmon Street, Portland, Oregon 97204." App. at 2. According to the Application, PGE "owns generation, transmission, and distribution facilities for service to wholesale and retail customers, and it buys and sells power in the Western energy wholesale market." *Id.* PGE states it is "authorized by the FERC to sell, at market-based rates, electric capacity and/or energy, and ancillary services." *Id.* The Applicant explains it "lacks market-based rate authority in the PGE Balancing Authority Area, except for sales in the Energy Imbalance Market operated by the California Independent System Operator Corporation[.]" *Id.*

PGE represents that its "sale of electric energy under this [authorization] has not and will neither impair the sufficiency of electric supply within the United States nor would it impede or tend to impede the coordination in the public interest of facilities subject to the jurisdiction of DOE." App. at 4. The Applicant states that it "has no intention to engage in exports which could result in a detriment to the U.S. electrical system or undermine PGE's ability to reliably serve its customers." *Id.* at 5-6.

The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have been previously authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties. See App. at Exhibit C.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the Application at Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of FERC's 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 Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214).

Comments and other filings concerning PGE's Application should be clearly marked with GDO Docket No. EA-97-E. Additional copies are to be provided directly to David White, Portland General Electric Company, 121 SW Salmon Street, 1WTC 1301,