

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Docket No. EC96-19-037, et al.]

California Power Exchange
Corporation, et al.; Electric Rate and
Corporate Regulation Filings

August 4, 1998.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. California Power Exchange Corporation

[Docket Nos. EC96-19-037 and ER96-1663-038]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, the California Power Exchange Corporation (PX) filed for Commission acceptance in this docket, pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, an application to amend the PX Operating Agreement and Tariff (including Protocols) (PX Tariff). The PX requests that the proposed PX Tariff amendments be made effective as of July 30, 1998, for certain amendments to the Hour-Ahead Market provisions and July 1, 1998 for a proposed certification and metering amendment.

In this submittal, the PX proposed PX Tariff and Protocol amendments to clarify certain aspects of the PX Hour-Ahead Market, which will begin operation on July 30, 1998, in accordance with the Commission's July 15, 1998 order accepting Tariff Amendment No. 2 for filing. *California Power Exchange Corporation*, 84 FERC ¶ 61,017 (1998). The PX also proposes to amend certain aspects of its certification process for PX Participants.

Comment date: August 25, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Allegheny Electric Cooperative v. Pennsylvania Electric Company, doing business as GPU Energy

[Docket No. EL98-65-000]

Take notice that on July 23, 1998, Allegheny Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Allegheny), tendered for filing a complaint against Pennsylvania Electric Company (Penelec) concerning the application of the 1993 Wheeling and Supplemental Power Agreement between Allegheny and Penelec in the context of Pennsylvania's recently enacted retail choice legislation.

Comment date: September 3, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. Answers to the complaint shall be due on or before September 3, 1998.

3. East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. v. Central and South West Services, Inc., Central Power and Light Company, West Texas Utilities Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, and Southwestern Electric Power Company

[Docket No. EL98-66-000]

Take notice that on July 23, 1998, East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc., tendered for filing a complaint against the four operating company subsidiaries of Central and South West Corporation (CSW Operating Companies) and Central and South West Services, Inc., the entity responsible for rates, terms and conditions of transmission access for the CSW Operating Companies.

Comment date: September 3, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. Answers to the complaint shall be due on or before September 3, 1998.

4. Duke Energy Marketing Corp.

[Docket No. ER96-109-014]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, Duke Energy Marketing Corp. (DEMC) tendered for filing its report of transactions for the quarter ended June 30, 1998.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. New Energy Ventures, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-1387-009]

On July 30, 1998, New Energy Ventures, Inc. (NEV, Inc.), submitted for filing its quarterly report regarding transactions to which it was a party the period dated April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998, pursuant to its Market Rate Schedule accepted by the Commission in the above referenced docket.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. DPL Energy

[Docket No. ER96-2601-008]

Take notice that DPL energy (DPL) on July 30, 1998 filed a transmittal letter stating that they did not engage in any electric power transactions for the quarter ending June 30, 1998 pursuant to Docket No. ER96-2601-000.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. NESI Power Marketing, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-841-006]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, NESI Power Marketing, Inc., tendered for filing its Transaction Reports for short-term transactions for the second quarter of 1998 pursuant to the

Commission's order in *Northern Indiana Public Service Company and NIPSCO Energy Services, Inc.*, 75 FERC 61,213 (1996) and the Commission's March 13, 1997 letter order in *NESI Power Marketing, Inc.*, Docket No. ER97-841-000.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Western Systems Power Pool

[Docket Nos. ER97-987-001, OA97-220-001, and OA97-672-001]

Take notice that on July 29, 1998, the Western Systems Power Pool (WSPP) tendered for filing revised tariff sheets to its pool-wide Open access Transmission tariff and a revised WSPP Agreement.

WSPP states that this filing is being made in compliance with the terms of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's April 30, 1998 Order in *Western Systems Power Pool*, 83 FERC 61,099.

Comment date: August 18, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. CSW Power Marketing, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-1238-007]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, CSW Power Marketing, Inc. (CSW Power), submitted a quarterly report under CSW Power's market-based sales tariff. The report is for the period April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Competitive Utility Services Corporation

[Docket No. ER97-1932-006]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, Competitive Utility Services Corp. (CUSCO), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission information relating to the above docket.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. New Energy Ventures, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER97-4636-003]

On July 30, 1998, New Energy Ventures, L.L.C. (NEV, L.L.C.), submitted for filing its quarterly report regarding transactions to which it was a party during the period dated April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998, pursuant to its Market Rate Schedule accepted by the Commission in the above referenced docket.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. NEV East, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER97-4652-003]

On July 30, 1998, NEV East, L.L.C. (NEV East), submitted for filing its quarterly report regarding transactions that occurred during the period April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998, pursuant to its Market Rate Schedule accepted by the Commission in the above-referenced docket.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. NEV California, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER97-4653-003]

On July 30, 1998, NEV California, L.L.C. (NEV California), submitted for filing its quarterly report regarding transactions to which it was a party during the period April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998, pursuant to its Market Rate Schedule accepted by the Commission in Docket No. ER97-4653-000.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. NEV Midwest, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER97-4654-003]

On July 30, 1998, NEV Midwest, L.L.C. (NEV Midwest), submitted for filing its quarterly report regarding transactions that occurred during the period April 1, 1998, through June 30, 1998, pursuant to its Market Rate Schedule accepted by the Commission in the above referenced docket.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. Central and South West Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-542-004]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, Central and South West Services, Inc., as agent for Central Power and Light Company, West Texas Utilities Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, and Southwestern Electric Power Company (collectively, the CSW Operating Companies), submitted a quarterly report under the CSW Operating Companies' market-based sales tariff. The report is for the period April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Medical Area Total

[Docket No. ER98-1992-001]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, Medical Area Total Energy Plant, Inc. (MATEP), tendered for filing a summary

of activity for the quarter ending June 30, 1998.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

17. CSW Energy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-2075-002]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, CSW Energy Services, Inc. (CSW ESI), submitted a quarterly report under CSW ESIs market-based sales tariff. The report is for the period April 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

18. Alliant Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-3971-000]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, Alliant Services, Inc., tendered for filing an executed Service Agreement for Network Integration Transmission Service and an executed Network Operating Agreement, establishing Corn Belt Power cooperative as a Network Customer under the terms of the Alliant Services, Inc. Transmission tariff. These agreements provide for the continuation of service that was originally filed in Interstate Power Company Docket No. ER97-3693-000. Alliant Services, Inc. requests the cancellation of prior agreements submitted in Interstate Power Company Docket No. ER97-3693-000 and associated rate schedule designations.

Alliant Services, Inc. Requests and effective date of July 1, 1998 for the service provided to Corn Belt Power Cooperative. Alliant Services, Inc., accordingly, seeks waiver of the Commission's notice requirements to permit the requested effective date. A copy of this filing has been mailed to the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Iowa Department of Commerce, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Carolina Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER98-3972-000]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, Carolina Power & Light Company (CP&L), tendered for filing Service Agreements for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service executed between CP&L and the following Eligible Transmission Customers: DTE Energy Trading, Inc. and El Paso Energy Marketing Company; and a Service Agreement for Short-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service with DTE

Energy Trading, Inc. Service to each Eligible Customer will be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Carolina Power & Light Company's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Copies of the filing were served upon the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

20. NGE Generation, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-3979-000]

Notice is hereby given that NGE Generation, Inc. filed on July 30, 1998 the Summary of Quarterly Activity for the calendar year quarter ending June 30, 1998 pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824d (1985), and Part 35 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 35 (1997), and in accordance with Ordering Paragraph J of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's June 9, 1997 order (the Order) in Docket No. ER97-2518-000.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

21. The United Illuminating Company

[Docket No. ER98-3980-000]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, The United Illuminating Company (UI), tendered for filing a Service Agreement for Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service and Interconnection Agreement between UI and Bridgeport Energy, L.L.C. executed pursuant to UI's Open Access Transmission Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 4, as amended.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

22. Potomac Electric Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-3981-000]

Take notice that on July 30, 1998, Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco), tendered for filing service agreements pursuant to Pepco FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, entered into between Pepco and: Duke/Louis Dreyfus, L.L.C.; Constellation Power Source, Inc.; DuPont Power Marketing, Inc.; and VTEC Energy, Inc. An effective date of July 1, 1998 for these service agreements, with waiver of notice, is requested.

Comment date: August 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

23. The California Power Exchange Corp.

[Docket No. ER98-4085-000]

On July 31, 1998, the California Power Exchange Corporation (PX), tendered for filing a PX Participation Agreement between the PX and Portland General Electric Company in compliance with the Commission's May 19, 1998 order. California Power Exch. Corp., 83 FERC 61,186 (1998).

The PX states that this filing has been served upon all parties on the official service list in the above-captioned docket.

Comment date: August 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

24. The California Power Exchange Corp

[Docket No. ER98-4086-000]

On July 31, 1998, the California Power Exchange Corporation (PX), tendered for filing a PX Participation Agreement between the PX and the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District in compliance with the Commission's May 19, 1998 order. California Power Exch. Corp., 83 FERC 61,186 (1998).

The PX states that this filing has been served upon all parties on the official service list in the above-captioned docket.

Comment date: August 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

25. The California Power Exchange Corp.

[Docket No. ER98-4087-000]

On July 31, 1998, the California Power Exchange Corporation (PX), tendered for filing a PX Participation Agreement between the PX and the Sierra Pacific Power Company in compliance with the Commission's May 19, 1998 order. California Power Exch. Corp., 83 FERC 61,186 (1998).

The PX states that this filing has been served upon the parties on the official service list in the above-captioned docket.

Comment date: August 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

26. Gulf Power Company

[Docket No. DR98-57-000]

Take notice that on July 22 1998, Gulf Power Company, filed under protest a request for approval of changes in depreciation rates for accounting purposes only pursuant to Section 302 of the Federal Power Act. The proposed rates were approved for retail purposes by the Florida Public Service

Commission effective as of January 1, 1998.

Comment date: September 4, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-596-000]

Columbia Gulf Transmission Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for Columbia Gulf Transmission Company's Proposed Mainline 99 Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

August 5, 1998.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the proposed Mainline 99 Project.¹ This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

Summary of the Proposed Project

Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf) proposed to increase the horsepower at their Corinth

and Inverness Compressor Stations in Alcorn County and Humphreys County, Mississippi, respectively. Columbia Gulf also proposes to increase the horsepower at its Hampshire Compressor Station in Maury County, Tennessee. A new compressor unit of greater horsepower would replace one existing compressor unit at each station. A total of 11,014-hp of compression would be added to Columbia Gulf's system which would allow an additional 96,555 Dth/day.

The Corinth and Inverness Compressor Stations each have a 12,050-hp rated Pratt & Whitney, GG3C-1 turbine and an Ingersoll-Rand IR-JP-125-30" centrifugal compressor that would be replaced with a 17,282-hp rated Solar Turbines Incorporated (Solar) Titan 130-T18000S turbine driver with a C652 centrifugal compressor and appurtenances.

The Hampshire Compressor Station's 14,000 HP rated Pratt & Whitney, GG3C-4 power turbine, with a Clark 70-01-0-48" centrifugal compressor would be replaced with a 14,550 HP rated Solar Mars 100-T15000S turbine driver with a C651 centrifugal compressor and appurtenances.

The construction of all new units would be within the existing compressor station sites.

The location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 2.² If you are interested in obtaining procedural information, please write to the Secretary of the Commission.

Land Requirements for Construction

The replacement project would not require any additional land outside the existing compressor station facilities and all earth disturbance and construction activities would take place entirely within Columbia Gulf's existing properties at all three compressor stations. The total area of earth disturbance would be approximately 0.5 acres at the Corinth and Inverness compressor stations and 0.75 acres at the Hampshire Compressor Station.

The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us to

¹ Columbia Gulf Transmission Company's application was filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.

² The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.