official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on February 28, 2005.

#### 10. New York Independent System Operator, Inc. and New York Transmission Owners

[Docket No. ER04-449-006]

Take notice that on February 7, 2005, LIPA and Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, a National Grid Company submitted a compliance filing pursuant to the Commission's order issued August 6, 2004, in Docket Nos. ER04–449–000, 001 and 002., 108 FERC ¶ 61.159.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on February 28, 2005.

#### 11. Midwest Independent Transmission, System Operator, Inc., Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., et al., Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., et al., Ameren Services Co., et al.

[Docket Nos. ER056–014, EL04–135–016, EL02–111–034, EL03–212–030]

Take notice that on February 7, 2005, the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (Midwest ISO) and Midwest ISO Transmission Owners (collectively Applicants) jointly submitted for filing revisions to proposed Schedule 21 of the Midwest ISO open access transmission tariff submitted on November 24, 2004, in compliance with the Commission's November 18, 2004, Order, *Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.*, 109 FERC ¶ 61,168 (2004)

Applicants state that copies of the filing were served on parties on the official service list in the above-captioned proceeding.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on February 28, 2005.

## 12. American Electric Power Service Corporation

[Docket No. ER05-426-001]

Take notice that on February 8, 2005, American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEP), acting as agent for Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) submitted an amendment changing the designation number assigned to the facilities agreement submitted in its January 6, 2005 filing in Docket No. ER05–426–000.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on February 18, 2005.

### 13. Sierra Pacific Power Company

[Docket No. ER05-559-000]

Take notice that on February 7, 2005, Sierra Pacific Power (Sierra) Company

tendered for filing, a general transfer agreement executed by the United States of America Department of Energy acting by and through the Bonneville Power Administration and Sierra Pacific Power Company. Sierra states that this general transfer agreement is filed in compliance with Order 614 pursuant to a directive of the Division of Tariffs and Market Development dated December 3, 2003, requiring the agreement be refiled containing only currently operative terms

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on February 28, 2005.

## **14. Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.**

[Docket Nos. ER05-560-000]

Take notice that on February 7, 2005, the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (Midwest ISO) tendered for filing amendments to the coordination agreement by and between Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator Inc. and Manitoba Hydro. The Midwest ISO states that the proposed revisions provide for the development of a congestion management process in response to the planned start-up of the Midwest ISO energy markets while preserving the existing coordination framework between the parties. The Midwest ISO requests an effective date of February 8,  $20\bar{0}5.$ 

The Midwest ISO has also requested waiver of the service requirements set forth in 18 CFR 385.2010. The Midwest ISO states that it has electronically served a copy of this filing, with its attachments, upon all Midwest ISO Members, Member representatives of Transmission Owners and Non-Transmission Owners, the Midwest ISO Advisory Committee participants, Policy Subcommittee participants, as well as all state commissions within the region. In addition, Midwest ISO states that the filing has been electronically posted on the Midwest ISO's Web site at http://www.midwestiso.org under the heading "Filings to FERC" for other interested parties in this matter and that it will provide hard copies to any interested party upon request.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on February 28, 2005.

### **Standard Paragraph**

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). 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 notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant and all parties to this proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at http://www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

#### Linda Mitry,

Deputy Secretary.
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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM04-7-000]

### Market-Based Rates for Public Utilities; Notice Inviting Comments

February 11, 2005.

On January 27 and 28, 2005, the Commission Staff held a technical conference to discuss issues associated with the above-captioned rulemaking proceeding on market-based rates. All interested persons are invited to file written comments no later than March 14, 2005, in relation to the issues that were the subject of the technical conference.

# Filing Requirements for Paper and Electronic Filings

Comments, papers, or other documents related to this proceeding may be filed in paper format or electronically. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. Those filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in MŠ Word, Portable Document Format, or ASCII format. To file the document, access the Commission's Web site at http:// www.ferc.gov, click on "e-Filing" and then follow the instructions for each screen. First time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments. User assistance for electronic filing is available at 202-502-8258 or by e-mail to efiling@ferc.gov. Do not submit comments to this e-mail address.

For paper filings, the original and 14 copies of the comments should be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and should refer to the above-referenced docket numbers.

All written comments will be placed in the Commission's public files and will be available for inspection at the Commission's Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, 20426, during regular business hours.

### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AD05-1-000]

### Principles for Efficient and Reliable Reactive Power Supply and Consumption; Notice Establishing Comment Date

February 11, 2005.

On February 4, 2005, the Commission made available to the public a Staff Report on Reactive Power Supply and Consumption. The Staff Report explores the issue of reactive power supply from both a technical and economic perspective. The Staff Report will be the subject of a March 8, 2005 technical conference. In addition, the Commission invites comment on the Staff Report, including but not limited to comments regarding the technical aspects of reactive power supply and the development of possible cost recovery mechanisms.

The Čommission encourages electronic submission of comments in

lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and copies of the comment to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail <a href="ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: April 4, 2005.

## Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### **Western Area Power Administration**

Construction and Operation of the Proposed White Wind Farm Project, Brookings County, SD

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Area Power Administration (Western), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the proposal by Navitas Energy (Navitas) to construct and operate the White Wind Farm Project (Project) in Brookings County, South Dakota. The EIS will address the construction and operation of the proposed Project, which includes wind turbine generators, access roads, collection and feeder lines. communications system, and a new electrical substation. Navitas has applied to Western to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's power transmission system. Western needs to grant or deny Navitas' interconnection request under the provisions of its General Guidelines for Interconnections. Western will hold a 30-day scoping period and a scoping meeting near the project area to ensure that interested members of the public and groups, and Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies have an opportunity to provide input on the scope of the EIS.

DATES: The open-house public scoping meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2005, in Hendricks, Minnesota. Written comments should be received no later than 11:59 p.m. on March 31, 2005, which marks the end of the EIS scoping period.

**ADDRESSES:** The open-house public scoping meeting will be held at the Midwest Center for Wind Energy, 2390 County Highway 1, Hendricks, Minnesota. The Center is located approximately 25 miles northeast of the City of Brookings and approximately 15 miles east of the City of White, just east of the South Dakota/Minnesota state line. Written comments should be addressed to Mr. Dirk Shulund, B0402.BL, Western Area Power Administration, Upper Great Plains Regional Office, P.O. Box 35800, Billings, MT 59107-5800, telephone (406) 247-7402, fax (406) 247-7408, email shulund@wapa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr.

Mark J. Wieringa, NEPA Document Manager, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 281213, Lakewood, CO 80228-8213, telephone (720) 962–7448 or (800) 336–7288, fax (720) 962-7263 or 7269, e-mail wieringa@wapa.gov. For general information on DOE's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review procedures or status of a NEPA review, contact Ms. Carol M. Borgstrom, Director of NEPA Policy and Compliance, EH-42, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, telephone (202) 586–4600 or (800) 472–2756. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Western** intends to prepare an EIS on the proposal by Navitas to construct and operate the Project in Brookings County, South Dakota, southeast of the City of White. The EIS will address the construction and operation of the proposed Project, which includes wind turbine generators, access roads, collection and feeder lines, a communications system, and a new electrical substation. In addition to the proposed action, the no-action alternative, and any action alternatives defined as a result of the EIS scoping

Navitas has applied to Western to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's power transmission system. Western is a power marketing agency of

process, will also be addressed in the

the NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, as

EIS. The EIS process will comply with

amended), Council on Environmental

Quality regulations for implementing

NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and

DOE NEPA implementing procedures

(10 CFR part 1021).

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}\,\mathrm{A}$  Notice of Technical Conference was issued on January 31, 2005.