other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

q. Agency Comments: Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described proceeding. If any agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments.

Dated: May 11, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AD18-12-000; Docket No. EL17-45-000; Docket No. ER18-370-000]

Notice Inviting Post-Technical
Conference Comments; Transmission
Planning Within the California
Independent System Operator
Corporation; California Public Utilities
Commission, Northern California
Power Agency, City and County of San
Francisco, State Water Contractors,
Transmission Agency of Northern
California v. Pacific Gas and Electric
Company; Southern California Edison
Company

On May 1, 2018, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff convened a technical conference to discuss the processes used by participating transmission owners (PTOs) in the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) to determine which transmission-related maintenance and compliance activities/ facilities, including, but not limited to, transmission-related capital additions, are subject to the CAISO Transmission Planning Process (TPP).

All interested persons are invited to file post-technical conference comments on the topics relating to the processes used by PTOs to determine which activities/facilities are subject to the CAISO TPP as discussed during the technical conference, including the questions listed in the Supplemental Notice issued in this proceeding on April 10, 2018. Commission staff is particularly interested in comments on the following topics:

1. Technical conference participants used the terms asset management and

asset management program during the technical conference. Please provide a definition for those terms when they are used to address or administer transmission capability.

2. Describe the criteria, standards, or industry best practices that the PTOs use in their asset management programs or activities.

3. Technical conference participants used the terms "incremental" and "incidental" at the technical conference. Provide a definition for those terms when they are used to describe any increases to transmission capability that result from the use of new technology when replacing one-for-one assets.

4. Explain how any incremental or incidental increases to transmission capacity are accounted for by each PTO in relation to "asset management" activities, and how these increases in transmission capacity are communicated to CAISO.

- 5. Technical conference participants used the terms "expansion" and "enhancement" at the technical conference. Provide the definitions of those terms when they are used to describe certain changes to the configuration of the CAISO transmission system resulting from "asset management" activities that are subject to the CAISO TPP.
- 6. Do CAISO's tariff or BPMs provide guidance and clarity to CAISO PTOs regarding what transmission-related maintenance and compliance activities/facilities must be considered and reviewed through CAISO's TPP? If so, please list the relevant sections.
- 7. How does each CAISO PTO decide whether to pursue reliability related transmission-related maintenance and compliance activities/facilities that are not required by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), or other regulatory entities? What criteria or parameters are used by each CAISO PTO to make this decision? Where are such criteria or parameters documented or otherwise made available?
- 8. Is there a difference between (a) the process through which each CAISO PTO pursues solutions to transmission-related maintenance and compliance activities/facilities that arise from NERC and WECC reliability standards or reliability standards established by other regulatory entities, and (b) the process through which each CAISO PTO pursues solutions to other transmission-related maintenance and compliance activities/facilities? If so, please explain (1) the difference between the two processes and (2) elaborate on the reasons for the differences.

9. What benefits and/or concerns, if any, would arise from introducing greater transparency and more opportunities for stakeholder input into each CAISO PTO's asset management process in the early stages of the assessment, ranking, and selection of particular "asset management" projects? To the extent that you support additional opportunities for stakeholder input, please describe the ideal format and/or frequency of such opportunities.

Commenters need not respond to all topics or questions asked. Commenters may reference materials previously filed in the above-captioned dockets, including the technical conference transcript, but are encouraged to avoid repetition or replication of previous material. Initial comments must be submitted on or before May 31, 2018, and reply comments must be submitted on or before June 15, 2018. Initial comments should not exceed 15 pages and reply comments should not exceed 10 pages.

For further information, please contact individuals identified for each

topic

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AD18–12–000 and EL17–45–000, Linda Kizuka, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502– 8773, linda.kizuka@ferc.gov.

Legal Information for Docket Nos. AD18–12–000 and ER18–370–000, Susanna Ehrlich, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–6260, susanna.ehrlich@ferc.gov.

Dated: May 15, 2018.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP10-1398-006.

Applicants: El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.

Description: Compliance filing Opinion No. 528–B Compliance Filing to be effective 4/1/2011.

Filed Date: 5/14/18.

Accession Number: 20180514–6176. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/29/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-813-000.

Applicants: MC Global Gas Corporation, Mitsubishi Corporation.

Description: Joint Petition of Mitsubishi Corporation, et al. for Temporary Waiver of Capacity Release Requirements and Related Interstate Pipeline Tariff Provisions.

Filed Date: 5/14/18.

Accession Number: 20180514–6198. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/29/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18-814-000.

Applicants: Texas Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Reservation of Capacity to be effective 6/15/2018.

Filed Date: 5/15/18.

Accession Number: 20180515–5152. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/29/18.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: May 15, 2018.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2325-077; Project No. 2322-054; Project No. 2574-069]

Notice of Application for Amendment of License To Extend Operational Dates for Volitional Upstream Fish Passage and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests; Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC, Merimil Limited Partnership

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Application Type: Amendment of

b. *Project Nos:* P–2325–077, P–2322–054, P–2574–069.

c. Date Filed: March 20, 2018.

d. *Applicants:* Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC, and Merimil Limited Partnership.

e. Name of Projects: Weston, Shawmut, and Lockwood Hydroelectric Projects.

f. Locations: The three projects are located on the Kennebec River in Somerset and Kennebec Counties, Maine.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a–825r.

h. Applicant Contact: Kelly Maloney, Licensing and Compliance Manager, Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC, 150 Main Street, Lewiston, ME 04240; (207) 775–5605.

i. FERC Contact: B. Peter Yarrington (202) 502–6129; peter.yarrington@ferc.gov

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: 30 Days from the issuance of this notice.

All documents may be filed electronically via the internet. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docsfiling/efiling.asp. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paperfiled. To paper-file, an original and seven copies should be mailed to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments.

Please include the docket numbers (P–2325–077, P–2322–054, and P–2574–069, as needed) on any comments, motions, or recommendations filed.

k. $Description\ of\ Request$: Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC, licensee for the Weston (P–2325) and Shawmut (P– 2322) Projects, and Merimil Limited Partnership, licensee for the Lockwood Project (2574), together request amendment of the Interim Species Protection Plan (Interim SPP) that the Commission approved for the three projects in an order issued May 19, 2016. The Interim SPP identifies measures that will be implemented at the three projects in the years 2013 through 2019 to protect federally-listed endangered Atlantic salmon. Under the Interim SPP and subsequent extensions of time, volitional upstream fish passage facilities are being designed and constructed at the projects, and are to be operational in May 2019 at the Shawmut Project, and in May 2020 at the Weston and Lockwood Projects. In their request, the licensees request that two years be added to the operational dates for those facilities at each project, so that those facilities would be operational in May 2021 at the Shawmut Project, and in May 2022 at the Weston and Lockwood Projects. The licensees request the extension so that they can complete, collaboratively with state and federal resource agencies and other entities, a feasibility assessment of options for multi-dam fish passage which would include but not be limited to options in the Interim SPP.

1. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, or may be viewed on the Commission's website at 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. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments,