

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER98-1965-000]

West Texas Wind Energy Partners, LLC; Notice of Issuance of Order

April 28, 1998.

West Texas Wind Energy Partners, LLC (WTWEP) filed an application requesting that the Commission accept a power purchase agreement authorizing it to engage in wholesale power sales at market-based rates to Central and South West Services, Inc. (CSWS),¹ and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, WTWEP requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by WTWEP. On April 23, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Conditionally Accepting For Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's April 23, 1998 Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (F), (G), and (I):

(F) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by WTWEP should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(G) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (F) above, WTWEP is hereby authorized to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of WTWEP, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(I) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of WTWEP's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities * * * .

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene

or protests, as set forth above, is May 26, 1998.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket no. ER98-1617-000, et al.]

Northern States Power Company et al. Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

April 27, 1998.

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

1. Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) and Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin)

[Docket Nos. ER98-1617-000, ER98-1618-000, ER98-1656-000, ER98-1657-000, ER98-1658-000, ER98-1659-000, and ER98-1660-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) and Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin) (jointly NSP), tendered for filing an amendment to its filing of seven Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service Agreements between NSP and NSP Wholesale.

NSP is in response to the Commission's deficiency letter dated March 23, 1998. NSP is requesting that the filed Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service Agreements, as corrected by this filing, be accepted for filing effective January 1, 1998. NSP requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements in order for the Agreements to be accepted for filing on the date requested.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Central Power and Light Company, West Texas Utilities Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, and Southern Electric Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-1944-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, 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 an amended

filing in the above captioned proceeding.

The CSW Operating Companies state that a copy of this amended filing has been served on the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the Louisiana Public Service Commission, the Arkansas Public Service Commission, the Oklahoma Corporation Commission and all parties to this proceeding.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-2107-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, tendered for filing an amendment to its March 9, 1998, filing in the above referenced docket. Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company states that the amendment is to notify the Commission that Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company finds the conditions attached to the Commission's March 13, 1998, SPP order acceptable and no longer finds it necessary to condition its submittal in this docket upon the outcome of the Southwest Power Pool Regional Transmission Tariff (Docket No. ER98-1163-000). In addition, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company has proposed that the effective date of its tariff change submitted in this docket be revised from April 1, 1998 to June 1, 1998 to match the effective date of the SPP Regional Tariff.

Copies of the filing were served upon all parties shown on the official service list in this docket.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-2536-000]

Take notice that on April 13, 1998, Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E), tendered for filing an executed Short-Term Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreement between LG&E and Allegheny Power Service Corporation under LG&E's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Comment date: May 14, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER98-2540-000]

Take notice that on April 14, 1998, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation tendered for filing a Notice of Cancellation of FERC Rate Schedule No. 245 and any supplements thereto, with Toledo Edison Company.

¹ CSWS is acting as agent for Central Power and Light Company, West Texas Utilities Company, and Southwestern Electric Power Company.

Comment date: May, 14, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. Northeast Utilities Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-2546-000]

Take notice that on April 15, 1998, Northeast Utilities Service Company (NUSCO), Northeast Utilities Service Company tendered for filing Service Agreements to provide Non-Firm Point To-Point Transmission Service and Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service to the Columbia Power Marketing Corporation under the NU system Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff No. 9.

NUSCO states that a copy of this filing has been mailed to the Columbia Power Marketing Corporation.

NUSCO requests that the Service Agreement become effective April 17, 1998.

Comment date: May 14, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. New England Power Pool

[Docket No. ER98-2548-000]

Take notice that on April 10, 1998, New England Power Pool (NEPOOL), tendered for filing a report on behalf of those electric utility Participants in NEPOOL which are subject to the reporting requirements contained in Section 202(g) of the Federal Power Act and Part 294 of the Commission's Regulations.

Comment date: May 14, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Virginia Electric and Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-2630-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Virginia Electric and Power Company (Virginia Power), tendered for filing the Service Agreement between Virginia Electric and Power Company and Griffin Energy Marketing, L.L.C., under the FERC Electric Tariff (First Revised Volume No. 4), which was accepted by order of the Commission dated November 6, 1997, in Docket No. ER97-3561-001. Under the tendered Service Agreement, Virginia Power will provide services to Griffin Energy Marketing, L.L.C., under the rates, terms and conditions of the applicable Service Schedules included in the Tariff.

Virginia Power requests an effective date of April 22, 1998, for the Service Agreement.

Copies of the filing were served upon Griffin Energy Marketing, L.L.C., the Virginia State Corporation Commission and the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER98-2632-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Florida Power Corporation (Florida Power), tendered for filing a service agreement providing for non-firm point-to-point transmission service and a service agreement providing for firm point-to-point transmission service to PacifiCorp Power Marketing, Inc. (PacifiCorp), pursuant to its open access transmission tariff. Florida Power requests that the Commission waive its notice of filing requirements and allow the agreements to become effective on April 23, 1998.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Wisconsin Electric Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-2633-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric), tendered for filing an electric service agreement under its Market Rate Sales Tariff (FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 8) with Aquila Power Corporation (Aquila). Wisconsin Electric respectfully requests an effective date of April 24, 1998, to allow for economic transactions.

Copies of the filing have been served on Aquila, the Michigan Public Service Commission, and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. Allegheny Power Service Corporation, on behalf of Monongahela Power Co., The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power)

[Docket No. ER98-2634-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Allegheny Power Service Corporation on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power) filed Supplement No. 41 to add one (1) new Customer to the Standard Generation Service Rate Schedule under which Allegheny Power offers standard generation and emergency service on an hourly, daily, weekly, monthly or yearly basis. Allegheny Power requests a waiver of notice requirements to make service available as of April 21, 1998, to Amoco Energy Trading Corporation.

Copies of the filing have been provided to the Public Utilities

Commission of Ohio, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the Maryland Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission, and all parties of record.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-2635-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Southern California Edison Company (Edison), tendered for filing a one-time billing adjustment made pursuant to the formula rate contained in the Environmental Energy Storage Agreement between Edison and the Bonneville Power Administration.

Edison seeks waiver of the 60 day prior notice requirement and requests that the Commission assign an effective date of April 23, 1998.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California and all interested parties.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-2636-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Southern California Edison Company (Edison), tendered for filing an executed Service Agreement for Wholesale Distribution Service with Long Beach Generation LLC under Edison's Wholesale Distribution Access Tariff.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California and all interested parties.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. Arizona Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-2637-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), tendered for filing a Service Agreement under APS' FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 3 with the Town of Wickenburg.

A copy of this filing has been served on the Arizona Corporation Commission and the Town of Wickenburg.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. Arizona Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-2638-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), tendered for filing a revised Service Agreement for providing Network Integration Transmission Service under APS' Open Access Transmission Tariff to the Arizona Public Service Company—Merchant Group.

A copy of this filing has been served on APS' Merchant Group and the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Consumers Energy Company

[Docket No. ER98-2639-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Consumers Energy Company (Consumers), tendered for filing an executed service agreement for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service pursuant to the Joint Open Access Transmission Service Tariff filed on December 31, 1996 by Consumers and The Detroit Edison Company (Detroit Edison) with Tennessee Valley Authority.

Copies of the filed agreement were served upon the Michigan Public Service Commission, Detroit Edison and the transmission customer.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of the this notice.

17. Northern States Power Company (Minnesota and Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin))

[Docket No. ER98-2640-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) and Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin) (collectively referred to as NSP), tendered for filing its Market-Based Rate Application.

NSP requests that this Market-Based Rates Electric Service Schedule, together with confirming changes to NSP's Electric Services Tariff, be made effective on the date of the Commission issues an order approving NSP's Market-Based Rate Application.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

18. Kentucky Utilities Company

[Docket No. ER98-2643-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Kentucky Utilities Company (KU), tendered for filing non-firm transmission service agreements between KU, Conagra Energy Services, Inc., and OGE Energy Resources, Inc., under its Transmission Services Tariff

and service agreements with Tennessee Power Company and Illinois Municipal Electric Agency under its Power Services Tariff.

Comment date: May 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Allegheny Power Service Corporation, on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, the Potomac Edison Company, and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power)

[Docket No. ER98-2644-000]

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, Allegheny Power Service Corporation on behalf of Monogahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power), filed Supplement No. 29 to add Merchant Energy Group of the Americas, Inc., to Allegheny Power's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff which has been submitted for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Docket No. OA96-18-000. The proposed effective date under the Service Agreements is April 21, 1998.

Copies of the filing have been provided to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the Maryland Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission.

Comment date: May 12, 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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice of Application Tendered for Filing with the Commission**

April 27, 1998.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Major Water Power Project, 5 Megawatts or Less.

b. *Project No.:* P-2964-006.

c. *Date Filed:* March 31, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* City of Sturgis, Michigan.

e. *Name of Project:* Sturgis Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the St. Joseph River in St. Joseph County, near Centreville, Michigan.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:*

Mr. John J. Griffith, P.E., Electric Department Superintendent, City of Sturgis, 130 North Nottawa, Sturgis, MI 49091

Mr. John E. Fisher, P.E., Chairman, Lawson-Fisher Associates P.C., 525 West Washington Ave., South Bend, Indiana 46601

i. *FERC Contact:* Patrick K. Murphy (202) 219-2659.

j. *Comment Date:* 60 days from the date of this notice.

k. *Description of Project:* The existing run-of-river project consists of: (1) An 800-foot-long dam, comprised of a 300-foot-long spillway and an 500-foot-long earthen portion; (2) two powerhouses (old & new); and (3) an 18-mile-long 14.4/24.9 KV WYE transmission line. The old powerhouse houses two turbine-generator units (each 550 kilowatts (KW)); the new powerhouse houses two units (each 750 KW) totaling 1,300-kw generating capacity. The Sturgis Project reservoir has a surface area of 580 acres and a storage volume of approximately 6,550 acre-feet at 825 feet surface elevation. There is no new construction proposed for power purposes.

l. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the MICHIGAN STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR at 800.4.

m. Pursuant to Section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional