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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC19-15-000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-730); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection, FERC-730 (Report of Transmission Investment Activity).

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due April 26, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC19-15-000) by either of the following methods:

• *eFiling at Commission's website:* <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

• *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

*Instructions:* All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

*Docket:* Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* FERC-730, Report of Transmission Investment Activity.  
*OMB Control No.:* 1902-0239.

*Type of Request:* Three-year extension of the FERC-730 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

*Abstract:* The Commission uses the FERC-730 information collection to determine the effectiveness of its rules and to provide it with an accurate assessment of the state of transmission investment by public utilities. This annual report includes projections, information that details the level and status of transmission investment, and the reason for delay (if any). The report must conform to the format prescribed in Order No. 679, Appendix A.<sup>1</sup> Filers

are strongly encouraged to submit the FERC-730 electronically via eFiling. FERC-730 is filed by public utilities that have been granted incentive rate treatment for specific electric transmission projects. Actual and planned transmission investments, and related project data for the most recent calendar year and the subsequent five years, must be reported annually beginning with the calendar year that the Commission granted the incentive rates.

Congress enacted section 1241 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005), adding section 219 to the Federal Power Act (FPA), to promote the operation, maintenance and enhancement of electric transmission infrastructure.<sup>2</sup> Congress aimed to benefit consumers by ensuring reliability and/or reducing the cost of delivered power through reducing transmission congestion. In response to EPAct 2005, the Commission amended its regulations to allow for these incentive-based, (including performance-based), rate treatments.

The Commission amended its regulations in 18 CFR 35.35 to identify the incentive ratemaking treatments allowed under FPA section 219. Incentives are required to be tailored to the type of transmission investments being made, and each applicant must demonstrate that its proposal meets the requirements of FPA section 219.

*Type of Respondents:* Public utilities that have been granted incentive based rate treatment for specific transmission projects under provisions of 18 CFR 35.35.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*<sup>3</sup> The Commission estimates the total Public Reporting Burden and cost for this information collection as follows:

#### FERC-730: REPORT OF TRANSMISSION INVESTMENT ACTIVITY

	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden hours & average cost per response <sup>4</sup> (\$)	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (\$)	Cost per respondent (\$)
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*Comments:* Comments are invited on:  
(1) Whether the collection of

information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the

Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility;

<sup>1</sup> Issued on 12/22/2006 in Docket No. RM06-4-001 (Promoting Transmission Investment through Pricing Reform).

<sup>2</sup> Energy Policy Act of 2005, Public Law 109-58, 119 Stat. 594, 315 and 1283 (2005).

<sup>3</sup> Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to

generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, refer to Title 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

<sup>4</sup> The estimates for cost per response are derived using the formula: Average Burden Hours per

Response \* 79.00 per hour = Average Cost per Response. The hourly cost figure comes from the FERC average salary plus benefits of \$164,820 per year (or \$79.00/hour). These estimates were updated in May 2018. This figure is being used because the staff thinks industry is similarly situated in terms of average hourly cost.

(2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: February 15, 2019.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER19-1047-000]

#### **VESIVEC LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization**

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced VESIVEC LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file 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 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is March 7, 2019.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for electronic review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the website that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### **Combined Notice of Filings #1**

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EC19-57-000.

*Applicants:* The Vanguard Group, Inc., Vanguard Global Advisors, LLC, Vanguard Asset Management, Ltd., Vanguard Investments Australia Ltd., Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company.

*Description:* Application for Authorization Under Section 203(1)(2) of the Federal Power Act to Acquire Securities of The Vanguard Group, Inc., et al.

*Filed Date:* 2/15/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190215-5180.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/8/19.

*Docket Numbers:* EC19-58-000.

*Applicants:* Crystal Lake Wind II, LLC, Crystal Lake Wind Energy II, LLC.

*Description:* Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, et al. of Crystal Lake Wind II, LLC, et al.

*Filed Date:* 2/15/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190215-5205.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/8/19.

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EG19-57-000.

*Applicants:* Coyote Ridge Wind, LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Self-Certification of Coyote Ridge Wind, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 2/19/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190219-5073.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/12/19.

*Docket Numbers:* EG19-58-000.

*Applicants:* Big Level Wind LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Big Level Wind LLC.

*Filed Date:* 2/19/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190219-5090.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/12/19.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* ER15-1471-009; ER16-915-002; ER15-1672-008; ER10-2861-006; ER13-2169-006; ER16-2010-003; ER11-3634-007; ER10-2977-008; ER12-1308-010; ER16-711-006; ER16-2561-003; ER13-1504-007; ER10-2866-006; ER10-2867-006.

*Applicants:* Blue Sky West, LLC, Comanche Solar PV, LLC, Evergreen Wind Power II, LLC, Fountain Valley Power, L.L.C., Goal Line L.P., Hancock Wind, LLC, KES Kingsburg, L.P., Mesquite Power, LLC, Palouse Wind, LLC, Pio Pico Energy Center, LLC, Sunflower Wind Project, LLC, SWG Arapahoe, LLC, SWG Colorado, LLC, Valencia Power, LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Blue Sky West, LLC, et al.

*Filed Date:* 2/15/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190215-5198.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/8/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19-828-000.

*Applicants:* Solomon Forks Wind Project, LLC.

*Description:* Supplement to January 17, 2019 Solomon Forks Wind Project, LLC tariff filing.

*Filed Date:* 1/24/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190124-5211.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/1/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19-1003-000.

*Applicants:* Crystal Lake Wind Energy II, LLC.

*Description:* Amendment to February 6, 2019 Crystal Lake Wind Energy II, LLC tariff filing.

*Filed Date:* 2/15/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190215-5181.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/8/19.

*Docket Numbers:* ER19-1061-000.

*Applicants:* Solar Alpine LLC.

*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing; Notice of Succession, Revisions to MBR & Request for Administrative Cancellation to be effective 2/16/2019.

*Filed Date:* 2/15/19.

*Accession Number:* 20190215-5167.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 3/8/19.