

documentation of a categorical exclusion in the FE Docket EA-208 proceeding.

#### Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's rules of practice and procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on Williams' request to export to Mexico should be clearly marked with Docket EA-208-A. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Charlene K. Stanford, Regulatory Analyst, Williams Energy Marketing & Trading Company, P.O. Box 3448, Tulsa, OK 74101 and Tim W. Muller, Attorney, The Williams Companies, Inc., One Williams Center, Suite 4100, Tulsa, OK 74172.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Regulatory Programs," then "Electricity Regulation," and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket No. PP-231]

#### Notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement; Northern States Power Company

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of floodplain/wetlands involvement.

**SUMMARY:** Northern States Power Company (NSP) has applied for a Presidential permit to construct, operate, maintain, and connect electric transmission facilities across the U.S. border with Canada. The proposed action has the potential to impact on a floodplain/wetlands. In accordance with DOE regulations for compliance with

floodplain/wetlands environmental review requirements (10 CFR Part 1022), a floodplain/wetlands assessment will be performed for this proposed action in a manner so as to avoid or minimize potential harm to or within potentially affected floodplain and wetlands.

**DATES:** Comments are due to the address below no later than August 14, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments, questions about the proposed action, and requests to review the draft environmental assessment should be directed to: Steven Mintz, Office of Coal & Power Import/Export (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350; Fax: (202) 287-5736; e-mail: [steven.mintz@hq.doe.gov](mailto:steven.mintz@hq.doe.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven Mintz (Program Office) 202-586-9506 or Michael T. Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-6667.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON GENERAL DOE FLOODPLAIN AND WETLANDS ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS

**CONTACT:** Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Assistance (EH-42), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0119; Phone: 202-586-4600 or leave a message at 800-472-2756.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, and 10 CFR Part 1022, Compliance with Floodplain-Wetlands Environmental Review Requirements ([http://tis-nt.eh.doe.gov/nepa/tools/regulate/nepa\\_reg/1022/1022.htm](http://tis-nt.eh.doe.gov/nepa/tools/regulate/nepa_reg/1022/1022.htm)), notice is given that DOE is considering an application from NSP for a Presidential permit to construct, operate, maintain and connect electric transmission facilities across the U.S. border with Canada. NSP proposes to construct a 230,000-volt, three-phase, alternating current electric transmission line that would extend approximately 53 miles from a new substation to be built in Rugby, North Dakota, to the U.S.-Canadian border just north of Rolla, North Dakota. Notice of NSP's application for a Presidential permit appeared in the **Federal Register** on February 12, 2001 (66 FR 9826).

Before making a final decision on granting or denying a Presidential permit to NSP, DOE will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) to address the environmental impacts that would accrue from the proposed project and reasonable alternatives. The EA will be prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*).

Because the proposed action has the potential to impact on a floodplain/wetlands, the EA will include a floodplain and wetlands assessment. DOE expects to have a draft of the EA available for public review in Summer 2001. Copies may be requested by telephone, facsimile, or e-mail from the address given above. A floodplain statement of findings will be included in any Finding of No Significant Impact that may be issued following completion of the EA.

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**Anthony J. Como,**

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Energy Information Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Agency information collection activities: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The EIA has submitted the energy information collections listed at the end of this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and a three-year extension under section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before August 29, 2001. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within that period, you should contact the OMB Desk Officer for DOE listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the OMB Desk Officer for DOE, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 726 Jackson Place NW., Washington, DC 20503. The OMB DOE Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395-7318. (A copy of your comments should also be provided to EIA's Statistics and Methods Group at the address below.)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Grace Sutherland, Statistics and Methods Group (EI-70), Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of

Energy, Washington, DC 20585-0670. Mrs. Sutherland may be contacted by telephone at (202) 287-1712, FAX at (202) 287-1705, or e-mail at grace.sutherland@eia.doe.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This section contains the following information about the energy information collection submitted to OMB for review: (1) The collection numbers and title; (2) the sponsor (i.e., the Department of Energy component); (3) the current OMB docket number (if applicable); (4) the type of request (i.e., new, revision, extension, or reinstatement); (5) response obligation (i.e., mandatory, voluntary, or required to obtain or retain benefits); (6) a description of the need for and proposed use of the information; (7) a categorical description of the likely respondents; and (8) an estimate of the total annual reporting burden (i.e., the estimated number of likely respondents times the proposed frequency of response per year times the average hours per response).

1. Forms EIA-63A, "Annual Solar Thermal Collector Manufacturers Survey" and EIA-63B, "Annual Photovoltaic Module/Cell Manufacturers Survey."

2. Energy Information Administration.

3. OMB Number 1905-0196.

4. Extension and three-year approval requested.

5. Mandatory.

6. EIA's Forms EIA-63A and EIA-63B collect data on the manufacture, shipment, and importation of solar thermal collectors and photovoltaic modules/cells. The data are used by the private sector, the renewable energy industry, the DOE, and other government agencies. Respondents are U. S. companies that manufactured, shipped, and/or imported solar thermal collectors and/or photovoltaic modules and cells.

7. Business or other for-profit.

8. 330 hours (110 respondents  $\times$  1 responses per year  $\times$  3 hours per response).

**Statutory Authority:** Section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13)(44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

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**Nancy J. Kirkendall,**

*Acting Director, Statistics and Methods Group, Energy Information Administration.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG01-230-000, et al.]

#### Metro Energy, L.L.C., et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

July 23, 2001.

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

##### 1. Metro Energy, L.L.C.

[Docket No. EG01-230-000]

Take notice that on July 19, 2001, Metro Energy, L.L.C., a Michigan limited liability company with its principal place of business at 425 South Main Street, Suite 201, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107, tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) an amendment to its application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Section 365 of the Commission's regulations.

Metro Energy is developing a 17 MW electric generating facility located in Wayne County Michigan. The purpose of the amendment is to explain Metro Energy's intention to engage in certain activities, including the sale of certain thermal energy products, which the Commission has found are incidental to an EWG's ownership and operation of an eligible facility and the sale of electric energy at wholesale.

*Comment date:* August 8, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

##### 2. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER01-2621-000]

Take notice that Florida Power Corporation (FPC), on July 18, 2001, tendered for filing a revised Cost-Based Wholesale Power Sales Tariff (CR-1) FERC Electric Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 9 (Revised Tariff). The revision deletes an attachment containing outdated rates for transmission service and ancillary services and makes several non-substantive changes. FPC requests that the Commission waive its notice of filing requirements to allow the Revised Tariff to become effective as of July 18, 2001.

Copies of the filing were served upon the public utility's jurisdictional customers, and the Florida Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* August 8, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 3. American Transmission Company LLC

[Docket No. ER01-2617-000]

Take notice that on July 18, 2001, American Transmission Company LLC (ATCLLC) tendered for filing a Firm and Non-Firm Point-to-Point Service Agreement between ATCLLC and Ameren Energy Marketing Company ATCLLC requests an effective date of July 11, 2001.

*Comment date:* August 8, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 4. California Independent System Operator Corporation

[Docket No. ER01-2612-000]

Take notice that the California Independent System Operator Corporation, (ISO) on July 18, 2001, tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement for ISO Metered Entities between the ISO and Bay Environmental Management for acceptance by the Commission. The ISO states that this filing has been served on Bay Environmental Management and the California Public Utilities Commission.

The ISO is requesting waiver of the 60-day notice requirement to allow the Meter Service Agreement for ISO Metered Entities to be made effective July 2, 2001.

*Comment date:* August 8, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 5. California Independent System Operator Corporation

[Docket No. ER01-2618-000]

Take notice that the California Independent System Operator Corporation, (ISO) on July 18, 2001, tendered for filing a Participating Generator Agreement between the ISO and California Portland Cement Company for acceptance by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on California Portland Cement Company and the California Public Utilities Commission.

The ISO is requesting waiver of the 60-day notice requirement to allow the Participating Generator Agreement to be made effective July 11, 2001.

*Comment date:* August 8, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 6. California Independent System Operator Corporation

[Docket No. ER01-2619-000]

Take notice that the California Independent System Operator Corporation, (ISO) on July 18, 2001, tendered for filing a Meter Service