

trashracks connected to two water conveyance channels, one 12-foot-high, 35-foot-long and one 12-foot-high, 85-foot-long; (6) an existing powerhouse with two new Kaplan turbine generating units with a total installed capacity of 360 kilowatts; (7) a new 1.5-foot-diameter valve in the powerhouse that would discharge flows to the tailrace; and (8) a new buried 480-volt, 125-foot-long transmission line connecting the powerhouse to the regional grid. In addition to installing the new turbine generating units and new transmission line listed above, the applicant proposes to renovate and repair the trashracks and tailrace retaining wall, and excavate a new tailrace downstream of the primary dam. The project would be operated in a run-of-river mode and would generate an annual average of approximately 1,454 megawatt-hours.

o. Carbon Zero, LLC prepared an application for an exemption from licensing, which it subsequently revised and refiled on February 17, 2012, as an application for an original minor license with a request to use the Traditional Licensing Process (TLP). Based on the contents of the exemption and license applications, the TLP three-stage consultation process has been completed; therefore, the Commission is providing notice that it intends to approve Carbon Zero's request to use the TLP.

p. 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 Web site 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, contact FERC Online Support at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov.

Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

q. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Vermont 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.

r. Procedural schedule: The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Issue Notice of Acceptance	April 2012.
Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis.	May 2012.
Notice of the availability of the EA.	Nov. 2012.

Dated: March 2, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EG12-16-000, EG12-17-000, EG12-18-000, EG12-19-000, EG12-20-000, EG12-21-000, EG12-22-000, EG12-23-000]

Rocky Ridge Wind Project, LLC, Blackwell Wind, LLC, CPV Cimarron Renewable Energy Company, LLC, Minco Wind Interconnection Services, LLC, Shiloh III Lessee, LLC, California Ridge Wind Energy LLC, Perrin Ranch Wind, LLC, Erie Wind, LLC: Notice of Effectiveness of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

Take notice that during the month of February 2012, the status of the above-captioned entities as Exempt Wholesale Generators or Foreign Utility Companies became effective by operation of the Commission's regulations. 18 CFR 366.7(a).

Dated: March 2, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP11-515-000]

Millennium Pipeline Company, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed: Minisink Compressor Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the Minisink Compressor Project, proposed by Millennium Pipeline Company, LLC (Millennium) in the above-referenced docket. Millennium requests authorization to construct and operate a

natural gas compressor station in Minisink, New York to increase deliveries to its interconnection with Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC at Ramapo, New York, to approximately 675,000 dekatherms per day.

This EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Minisink Compressor Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. Staff concludes that the proposed project, with appropriate mitigation, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Millennium's proposed Minisink Compressor Project consists of two 6,130-horsepower gas-fired compressor units that would be housed within a new building, as well as an access driveway, parking areas, a station control/auxiliary building, intake and exhaust silencers, turbine lube oil coolers, unit blowdown silencers, a filter-separator with a liquids tank, and an emergency electrical power generator. Pipeline facilities required for the project include approximately 545 feet of new 36-inch-diameter suction and discharge pipelines which would connect the compressor station to the existing mainline. A new mainline valve assembly would also be required on the existing pipeline located between the new suction and discharge pipelines.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; and parties to this proceeding. In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at:

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,
Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is

important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before April 2, 2012.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. In all instances, please reference the project docket number (CP11–515–000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or efiling@ferc.gov.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing"; or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the following address:

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).¹ Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision. The Commission grants affected landowners and others with environmental concerns intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which no other party can adequately represent. Simply filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208–FERC, or on the FERC Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search," and enter the docket

number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (*i.e.*, CP11–515). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm.

Dated: March 2, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EL12–41–000; QF11–44–001; QF11–45–001]

Rainbow Ranch Wind, LLC, Rainbow West Wind, LLC; Notice of Petition for Enforcement

Take notice that on March 1, 2012, pursuant to section 210(h) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), 16 USA 8242–3(h), Rainbow Ranch Wind, LLC (Rainbow Ranch) and Rainbow West Wind, LLC (Rainbow West) (collectively, Petitioners) filed a petition requesting the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) initiate an enforcement action against the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Idaho PUC) to remedy the rejection of (1) a Firm energy Sales Agreement between Rainbow Ranch and Idaho Power Company (IPC) and (2) a Firm Energy Sales Agreement between Rainbow West and IPC. In the alternative, Petitioners request that the Commission make specific findings with respect to Idaho PUC Order Nos. 32256 and 32300, as would allow Petitioners to pursue enforcement action in a U.S. Federal District Court.

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, 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. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. 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 email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on March 22, 2012.

Dated: March 2, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–9645–2]

Assessment of Potential Large-Scale Mining on the Bristol Bay Watershed of Alaska: Nomination of Peer Reviewers

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Call for nominations; extension.

SUMMARY: On February 24, 2012 EPA announced a two week period for the public to nominate qualified experts to be considered for the external review panel of an anticipated EPA draft report describing impacts associated with potential large-scale mining development in the Nushagak and Kvichak watersheds of Bristol Bay,

¹ See the previous discussion on the methods for filing comments.