

with the Corps; and (4) implement nighttime turbine shutdowns during the downstream eel passage season to protect eels during passage.

m. Copies of the applications are 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, contact FERC Online Support. Copies are also available for inspection and reproduction at the addresses in item h above. Additionally, copies of the Blackstone project license application are available for viewing during normal business hours at the Blackstone Public Library located at 86 Main Street, Blackstone, MA 01504 and at the North Smithfield Public Library located at 20 N Main St., Slatersville, Rhode Island 02876.

You may also 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.

#### n. Scoping Process

The Commission intends to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) on the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The EA will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action.

#### Scoping Meetings

FERC staff will conduct one agency scoping meeting and one public meeting. The agency scoping meeting will focus on resource agency and non-governmental organization (NGO) concerns, while the public scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

##### *Evening Scoping Meeting*

Date: Thursday, May 9, 2019

Time: 6:00 p.m. (ET)

Place: Holiday Inn Express & Suites

Address: 194 Fortin Drive,

Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895

##### *Daytime Scoping Meeting*

Date: Friday, May 10, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m. (ET)

Place: Holiday Inn Express & Suites

Address: 194 Fortin Drive,

Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895

Copies of the Scoping Document (SD1) outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EIS were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD1 will be available at the scoping meeting or may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link (see item m above).

#### Environmental Site Review

Blackstone Hydro and FERC staff will conduct an environmental site review of the Blackstone Hydroelectric Project beginning at 9:00 a.m. on May 9, 2019. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at the project powerhouse located at 2 Tupperware Drive, North Smithfield, Rhode Island 02896. All participants interested in seeing the inside of the project powerhouse will be required to wear steel-toed safety shoes. All participants interested in seeing the project dam, which is located approximately 0.5 mile from the project powerhouse, are responsible for their own transportation. Directions to the dam from the powerhouse will be provided during the environmental site review. Anyone planning to attend the environmental site review should contact Sherri Loon at (207) 203-3026 or [Sherri.Loon@kruger.com](mailto:Sherri.Loon@kruger.com) by May 3, 2019, and indicate how many participants will be attending with you.

The City and FERC staff will conduct a project environmental site review of the Woonsocket Falls Project beginning at 1:00 p.m. on May 9, 2019. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at the City Park located at 0 South Main Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895. The City Park is located adjacent to the Woonsocket Falls Dam, on the east riverbank, near the intersection of South Main and River Streets. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the site. Anyone planning to attend the environmental site review should contact Bruce DiGennaro at (401) 835-1185 or [bruce@essexpartnership.com](mailto:bruce@essexpartnership.com) by May 3, 2019, and indicate how many participants will be attending with you.

#### Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the

EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis.

#### Procedures

The meetings are recorded by a stenographer and become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the projects.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meeting and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

Dated: April 8, 2019.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL19-60-000]

#### **City of Prescott, Arkansas v. Southwestern Electric Power Company, and Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.; Notice of Complaint**

Take notice that on April 5, 2019, pursuant to section 206, 306, and 309 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824e, 825e, and 825h, and Rule 206 and 212 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.206 and 385.212, the City of Prescott, Arkansas (Complainant) filed a formal complaint against Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) and Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO) (collectively Respondents) alleging that, (a) the Power Supply Agreement (PSA) is unjust and unreasonable and should be amended in certain respects or terminated; (b) the PSA requires SWEPCO to implement the effective MISO congestion hedging strategy; or, in the alternative, that the PSA violates the public interest by depriving the Complainant of an effective hedge for MISO congestion charges and justifies termination of the PSA; and (c) MISO violated the Joint Operating Agreement between MISO and Southwest Power Pool (SPP) with respect to the assessment of certain congestion charges

associated with SWEPCO loads that are pseudo-tied out of MISO and into SPP, all as more fully explained in the complaint.

The Complainant certifies that copies of the complaint were served on the contacts listed for Respondent in the Commission's list of Corporate Officials.

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. The Respondents' answer and all interventions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. The Respondents' answer, motions to intervene, and protests must be served on the Complainants.

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 5 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 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.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on April 25, 2019.

Dated: April 5, 2019.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC19-7-000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-915); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**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-915 (Public Utility Market-Based Rate Authorization Holders—Records Retention Requirements) and submitting the information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. On February 20, 2019, the Commission published a Notice in the **Federal Register** in Docket No. IC19-7-000 requesting public comments. The Commission received no public comments and is noting that in the related submittal to OMB.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due May 13, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments filed with OMB, identified by OMB Control No. 1902-0250, should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs: [oirq\\_submission@omb.gov](mailto:oirq_submission@omb.gov). Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Commission, in Docket No. IC19-7-000, 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-915, Public Utility Market-Based Rate Authorization Holders—Records Retention Requirements.

*OMB Control No.* 1902-0250.

*Type of Request:* Three-year extension of the FERC-915 information collection requirements with no changes to the current record retention requirements.

*Abstract:* In accordance with the Federal Power Act, the Department of Energy Organization Act (DOE Act), and the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005), the Commission regulates the transmission and wholesale sales of electricity in interstate commerce, monitors and investigates energy markets, uses civil penalties and other means against energy organizations and individuals who violate FERC rules in the energy markets, administers accounting and financial reporting regulations, and oversees conduct of regulated companies.

The Commission imposes the FERC-915 record retention requirements, in 18 CFR 35.41(d), on applicable sellers to retain, for a period of five years, all data and information upon which they bill the prices charged for "electric energy or electric energy products it sold pursuant to Seller's market-based rate tariff, and the prices it reported for use in price indices."

The record retention period of five years is necessary due to the importance of records related to any investigation of possible wrongdoing and related to assuring compliance with the codes of conduct and the integrity of the market. The requirement is necessary to ensure consistency with the rule prohibiting market manipulation (adopted in Order No. 670) and the generally applicable five-year statute of limitations where the Commission seeks civil penalties for violations of the anti-manipulation rules or other rules, regulations, or orders to which the price data may be relevant.

*Type of Respondent:* Public Utility Market-Based Rate Authorization Holders.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*<sup>1</sup> The Commission estimates the annual public

<sup>1</sup> Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide