

already initiated a NEPA review under the Commission's pre-filing process. The purpose of the pre-filing process is to encourage early involvement of interested stakeholders and to identify and resolve issues before the Commission receives an application. As part of the pre-filing review, Commission staff will contact federal and state agencies to discuss their involvement in the scoping process and the preparation of the EIS.

The EIS will present Commission staff's independent analysis of the issues. The draft EIS will be available in electronic format in the public record through eLibrary³ and the Commission's website (<https://www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis.asp>). If eSubscribed, you will receive instant email notification when the draft EIS is issued. The draft EIS will be issued for an allotted public comment period. After the comment period on the draft EIS, Commission staff will consider all timely comments and revise the document, as necessary, before issuing a final EIS. To ensure Commission staff have the opportunity to consider and address your comments, please carefully follow the instructions in the Public Participation section, beginning on page 2 of this notice.

With this notice, the Commission is asking agencies with jurisdiction by law and/or special expertise with respect to the environmental issues related to this project to formally cooperate in the preparation of the EIS.⁴ Agencies that would like to request cooperating agency status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided under the Public Participation section of this notice.

Consultation Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act

In accordance with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's implementing regulations for section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Commission is using this notice to initiate consultation with the applicable State Historic Preservation Office(s), and to solicit their views and those of other government agencies, interested Indian tribes, and the public on the project's potential effects on historic properties.⁵

³ For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the end of this notice.

⁴ The Council on Environmental Quality regulations addressing cooperating agency responsibilities are at Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1501.6.

⁵ The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation regulations are at Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 800. Those regulations define historic properties as any prehistoric or historic

The EIS for this project will document our findings on the impacts on historic properties and summarize the status of consultations under section 106.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

Commission staff have already identified several issues that deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the planned facilities and the environmental information provided by PAPL. This preliminary list of issues may change based on your comments and our analysis.

- Impacts on wetlands;
- construction in and potential impacts on aquatic resources in Sabine Lake;
- colocation with existing pipelines; and
- utilization of the same or similar rights-of-way as other proposed pipeline projects.

Environmental Mailing List

The environmental mailing list includes federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American Tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. This list also includes all affected landowners (as defined in the Commission's regulations) who are potential right-of-way grantors, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, or who own homes within certain distances of aboveground facilities, and anyone who submits comments on the project. Commission staff will update the environmental mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that Commission notices related to this environmental review are sent to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the planned project.

A *Notice of Availability* of the draft EIS will be sent to the environmental mailing list and will provide instructions to access the electronic document on the FERC's website (www.ferc.gov). If you need to make changes to your name/address, or if you would like to remove your name from the mailing list, please return the attached "Mailing List Update Form" (appendix 4).

Becoming an Intervenor

Once PAPL files its application with the Commission, you may want to

district, site, building, structure, or object included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

become an intervenor which is an official party to the Commission's proceeding. Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision and be heard by the courts if they choose to appeal the Commission's final ruling. An intervenor formally participates in the proceeding by filing a request to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214). Motions to intervene are more fully described at <http://www.ferc.gov/resources/guides/how-to/intervene.asp>. Please note that the Commission will not accept requests for intervenor status at this time. You must wait until the Commission receives a formal application for the project, after which the Commission will issue a public notice that establishes an intervention deadline.

Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on General Search and enter the docket number in the Docket Number field, excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, PF19-6). 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 all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

Public sessions or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx along with other related information.

Dated: September 5, 2019.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP19-505-000]

Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization: Spire Storage West LLC

Take notice that on August 30, 2019, Spire Storage West LLC (Spire Storage), 3773 Richmond Avenue, Suite 300, Houston, Texas 77046, filed in the

above referenced docket a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.213 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act and its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP11-24-000 for authorization to: (i) Convert two existing observation wells to injection/withdrawal usage; and (ii) construct related flowlines and appurtenances at its Belle Butte natural gas storage facility in Uinta County, Wyoming. Spire Storage states that the proposed project will optimize the injection and withdrawal network at the Belle Butte Storage Field to function at its currently certificated injection and withdrawal capabilities. Spire Storage estimates the cost of the project to be approximately \$5.5 million, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

The filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website web 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 at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Kirstin E. Gibbs, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP, 1111 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004, by telephone at (202) 739-5026, by fax at (202) 739-3001, or by email at kirstin.gibbs@morganlewis.com.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public

record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's EA.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list and will be notified of any meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 3 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Dated: September 6, 2019.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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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 rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER16-435-003.

Applicants: Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc.

Description: Compliance filing of Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc.

Filed Date: 9/6/19.

Accession Number: 20190906-5051.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/27/19.

Docket Numbers: ER16-444-003.

Applicants: Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc.

Description: Compliance filing of Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc.

Filed Date: 9/6/19.

Accession Number: 20190906-5053.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/27/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19-2383-001.

Applicants: AEP Texas Inc.

Description: Tariff Amendment:

SA772 AEPTX-Karankawa Wind Interconnection Agr 1st Amend & Restat—Amendment to be effective 6/20/2019.

Filed Date: 9/6/19.

Accession Number: 20190906-5004.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/27/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19-2385-001.

Applicants: AEP Texas Inc.

Description: Tariff Amendment:

SA776 AEPTX-Karankawa Wind Interconnection Agr 1st Amend & Restat—Amendment to be effective 6/27/2019.

Filed Date: 9/6/19.

Accession Number: 20190906-5011.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/27/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19-2440-000;

ER19-2441-001; ER19-2442-000;

ER19-2443-000; ER19-2444-001;

ER19-2470-000; ER19-2474-000.

Applicants: Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.

Description: Notice of Initial New Member (Mieco, Inc.) and Request for Partial Waiver of Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.

Filed Date: 9/3/19.

Accession Number: 20190903-5196.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/24/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19-2757-000.

Applicants: California Independent System Operator Corporation.

Description: Compliance filing: 2019-09-05 Order No. 831 Compliance to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 9/5/19.

Accession Number: 20190905-5107.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/26/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19-2758-000.

Applicants: ALLETE, Inc., Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019-09-06 SA 3345 MP-GRE T-L (Swatara) to be effective 8/8/2019.

Filed Date: 9/6/19.

Accession Number: 20190906-5002.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/27/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19-2759-000.

Applicants: Societe Generale Energy LLC.

Description: Notice of Cancellation of Market-Based Rate Tariff of Societe Generale Energy LLC.