

OUTREACH SUMMARIES

E-1 and E-2, *News Release*

E-3, *News Release*

FERC adopts an EQR dictionary

E-4, *Revised Public Utility Filing Requirements for Electric Quarterly Reports; Order Adopting Electric Quarterly Report Data Dictionary (Order No. 2001-G)*, Docket No. RM01-8-006. The Commission adopted an Electronic Quarterly Report (EQR) Data Dictionary that collects in one document the definitions of certain terms and values used in filing EQR data and issued formal definitions for those fields that were previously undefined. This rulemaking follows outreach with the industry, since 2004, concerning whether EQR definitions were sufficient and understandable.

FERC sets Arizona Public Service's formula rates for hearing

E-6, *Arizona Public Service Co.*, Docket Nos. ER07-1142-000. The Commission accepted Arizona Public Service Co.'s formula rate proposal and suspended the tariff for a full five months, to become effective March 1, 2008, subject to refund, and required a compliance filing to address certain deficiencies in the filing. The Commission also established hearing and settlement judge procedures.

FERC approves BPA rates, pending a full review

E-7, *Bonneville Power Administration*, Docket No. EF07-2021-000. The Commission approved the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) proposed 2008 Transmission and Ancillary Services rates on an interim basis, pending full review. The Commission's preliminary review of BPA's submittal indicated that it does not contain any patent deficiencies.

FERC discontinues ISO-NE's status report requirement

E-8, *ISO New England*, Docket No. ER02-2330-047. The Commission accepted a report by ISO New England (ISO-NE) as to the status of its implementation of multiple segment de-listing of Installed Capacity as an enhancement to its standard market design, and discontinued the requirement that ISO-NE make status reports on the re-listing requirement for partially de-listed resources.

FERC denies request regarding Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capacity Credits

E-9, *NSTAR Electric Co. v. ISO New England*, Docket No. EL07-81-000. The Commission denied a request to modify how Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capacity Credits are treated during the transition period to the ISO-New England Forward Capacity Market. The Hydro Quebec Interconnection is a direct current transmission line that connects Québec, Canada and the New England region. The Commission determined that NSTAR Electric Co's complaint was a collateral attack on prior Commission orders approving a settlement of New England's Forward Capacity Market. The Commission found that NSTAR's proposal was inconsistent with that settlement, and that NSTAR had not met its burden to justify the modification of the relevant tariff provision at issue in this proceeding.

FERC sets issue of rates in mitigation agreements for hearing

E-10, *Mirant Americas Energy Marketing v. ISO New England*, Docket Nos. EL01-93-012 and ER03-631-003. The Commission set issues remanded by the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (the Court) for hearing and settlement judge procedures. The Court remanded for additional consideration whether the rates in the mitigation agreements at issue were just and reasonable, and, if not, whether purchasers charged the mitigation rates were entitled to refunds.

E-11, *Media Alert*

FERC clarifies intervention policy as it applies to membership organizations

E-12, *American Electric Power Services Corporation*, QM07-4-001. The Commission issued an order on clarification responding to a letter sent to the Commission by 24 membership organizations regarding the Commission's policy on interventions as expressed in the prior order in this proceeding. The Commission clarified that the intervention policy has not changed, but rather the Commission simply applied it in a particular circumstance and thus, membership organizations are free to continue to pursue their concerns as they have in the past so long as they meet the requirements of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (which addresses intervention and party status).

FERC grants clarification of an order authorizing Linden VFT to sell transmission rights

E-13, *Linden VFT*, Docket No. ER07-543-001. The Commission granted clarification of an order authorizing Linden VFT to sell transmission rights at negotiated rates over facilities owned by Consolidated Edison Company of New York and Cogen Technologies Linden Venture. The Commission clarified that the previous order limits its grant of market rate authorization to Linden to incremental capacity that Linden creates through the installation and operation of cooling equipment.

FERC approves a settlement regarding Southwestern Public Service Co.'s rates

E-15, *Southwestern Public Service Co.*, Docket No. ER06-274-005. The Commission approved a contested partial Settlement, finding that the revised rates and agreements contained in the Settlement resolve all outstanding issues between Southwestern Public Service Company and the Full Requirements Customers, and will eliminate the need for additional costly and time consuming litigation.

FERC addresses rehearing of CAISO MRTU order

E-17, *California Independent System Operator Corp.*, Docket Nos. ER06-615-007 and ER02-1656-033. The Commission responded to requests for clarification and/or rehearing of an order on rehearing and clarification that the Commission issued on April 20, 2007. The Commission denied a request to reopen the record of the California Independent System Operator Corp.'s Market Redesign and Technology Upgrade proceeding on the issue of the determination of local capacity area requirements.

E-18, *Media Alert*

FERC denies rehearing of denial of complaint regarding PJM and Midwest ISO's joint and common market

E-19, *Wisconsin Public Service Corp., Upper Peninsula Power Co., WPS Energy Services and WPS Power Development v. Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator and PJM Interconnection*, Docket No. EL06-97-001. The Commission denied rehearing of an order dismissing a complaint by Wisconsin Public Service Co. and three affiliates, which alleged that Midwest Independent System Operator and PJM Interconnection (Jointly RTOs) have failed to establish a functional joint and common market. The Commission affirmed its earlier decision finding that the RTOs had not been required to establish a single market with single system dispatch, finding that the complainants had not demonstrated that the RTOs' tariffs were unjust and unreasonable, and noting that the RTOs are proceeding with improvements to their markets.

G-1, Media Alert
G-2, News Release

FERC denies rehearing of order finding SFPP's EastLine rates to be unjust and unreasonable

G-3, SFPP, Docket No. IS06-356-003. The Commission denied rehearing of an order which held that SFPP could not take a July 1, 2006 index adjustment to its East Line rates when it was already fully recovering its East Line cost of service through a new rate based on a May 31, 2005 cost-of-service tariff filing.

FERC issues notice of probable termination of license in Inyo County, California

H-1, Joseph M. Keating, Project No. 7267-017. The Commission lifted the 1996 stay of the licensee's start of construction deadline and, pursuant to section 13 of the Federal Power Act, provided notice of the probable termination of the license. The project would be located on Morgan Creek and Pine Creek in Inyo County, California. The Commission determined that the prolonged, continuing, and indefinite delay in attempts to obtain water rights and other required pre-construction approvals warranted lifting the stay.

FERC denies rehearing of license for the Niagara Project in New York

H-2, New York Power Authority, Project No. 2216-068. The Commission denied requests for rehearing of an order issuing a new license for the continued operation and maintenance of the 2,755.5-megawatt Niagara Project, located on the Niagara River, in Niagara County, New York. The Commission concluded that economic and environmental issues raised on rehearing had no merit.

FERC denies rehearing of preliminary permit for project in Lawrence County, Indiana

H-3, Midwest Hydraulics, Project No. 12734-002. The Commission denied Energie Group's request for rehearing of a notice denying its motion for late intervention and rejecting its accompanying request for rehearing of an order granting a preliminary permit to Midwest Hydraulics. The preliminary permit is to study the feasibility of the proposed Williams Dam Project proposed to be located on East Fork of the White River in Lawrence County, Indiana. The Commission also denied Energie's request for a stay of the proceeding.

FERC denies rehearing of School Street Project in New York

H-4, *Erie Boulevard Hydropower*, Project No. 2539-033. The Commission denied a request for rehearing of an order approving an offer of settlement and issuing a new license to Erie Boulevard for the continued operation and maintenance of the 38.8-megawatt School Street Project. The project is located on the Mohawk River in Albany and Saratoga Counties, New York. The Commission disposed of contentions that the Commission should have considered the statutorily-barred Cohoes Falls proposal as an alternative to the School Street Project, as well as numerous procedural and substantive arguments that the Commission erred in issuing the new license.

FERC denies California Trout's request for rehearing of an order denying late intervention

H-5, *California Department of Water Resources and the City of Los Angeles*, Project No. 2426-206. The Commission rejected a request for rehearing by California Trout of an order denying the organization's previous request for rehearing of a notice denying late intervention in an amendment proceeding involving the California Aqueduct Project.

FERC grants modification to Blanket Certificate rule

C-1, Revisions to the Blanket Certificate Regulations and Clarification Regarding Rates, Docket No. RM06-7-002. The Commission addressed a request to clarify the final rule expanding the scope of blanket certificate eligibility for natural gas infrastructure projects and raising the limits for project costs. The Commission granted a request to revise 18 C.F.R. 157.216 to permit companies to rely on blanket certificate authority to abandon a facility that was put in place under case-specific authority, provided the existing facility could qualify for authorization under the current blanket program.

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