

June 2018

Commission Meeting Summaries

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FERC initiates section 206 Federal Power Act proceedings

E-1, *Ameren Illinois Co., et al.*, Docket No. EL18-155-000, *et al.* This order institutes proceedings in accordance with section 206 of the Federal Power Act to examine the methodology utilized by 13 public utilities for calculating Accumulated Deferred Income Tax balances in their projected test year and annual true-up calculations for their transmission formula rates.

FERC approves an uncontested settlement

E-2, *Great River Energy*, Docket Nos. EL18-45-000 and EL17-33-000. This letter order approves the uncontested offer of settlement filed by Great River Energy that addresses the company's annual revenue requirement for providing Reactive Supply and Voltage Control from Generation or Other Sources Service under Schedule 2 of Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.'s Open Access Transmission, Energy and Operating Reserve Markets Tariff.

FERC adopts proposed tariff revisions

E-3, *Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.*, Docket No. EL18-17-000. The order addresses inconsistencies between MISO's Generator Interconnection Procedures (GIP) and *pro forma* Generator Interconnection Agreement (GIA) with respect to the termination of a GIA. The order finds that MISO's tariff is unjust and unreasonable and accepts MISO's proposed revisions to the termination clauses in its GIP and *pro forma* GIA, with modifications.

FERC orders submission of additional information

E-4, *CPV Maryland, LLC, et al.*, Docket No. ER13-343-008, *et al.* The order rejects Applicants' argument that, because of a voting restriction, certain upstream owners are not affiliates, and accordingly, directs Applicants to amend their filing to include the affiliate information required for this type of market-based rate filing.

FERC approves an uncontested settlement

E-5, *GridLiance West Transco LLC*, Docket No. ER17-706-002. The order approves the uncontested settlement resolving all issues related to GridLiance West's proposed Transmission Owner Tariff, including a formula rate template and implementation protocols. The order also directs GridLiance West to file a correction to its template.

FERC accepts, in part, and rejects, in part, proposed tariff revisions

E-6, *California Independent System Operator Corp.*, Docket No. ER18-1169-000. The order accepts, in part, and rejects, in part, CAISO's proposed tariff revisions. Specifically, the order accepts, subject to a further filing, CAISO's proposals to revise the definition of which resources qualify as use-limited resources and to allow use-limited resources to include opportunity cost adders in their bids. The order rejects proposed revisions relating to the Master File. The order also rejects CAISO's proposal to remove ramp rates as components of daily bids.

FERC denies rehearing

E-8, *Public Service Company of Colorado, et al.*, Docket No. ER13-75-012, *et al.* The order denies the WestConnect public utility transmission providers' requested rehearing of the Commission's November 16, 2017 Order on Remand. The Order on Remand responded to a decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit that held that the Commission had acted arbitrarily and capriciously in its determinations concerning cost allocation for Order No. 1000 regional transmission projects in the WestConnect transmission planning region.

FERC grants a limited, one-time waiver

E-9, *San Diego Gas and Electric Company*, Docket No. ER18-1360-000. The order grants San Diego Gas and Electric Company's request for a limited, one-time waiver of certain provisions of Section 11.2 of Appendix DD of the California Independent System Operator Corp. tariff.

FERC grants a petition for a declaratory order

G-2, *CCPS Transportation, LLC*, Docket No. OR18-18-000. The order grants the unopposed petition for a declaratory order by CCPS requesting approval of the proposed capacity allocation and rate structure for the planned re-contracting of a portion of the capacity of the Spearhead Pipeline.

FERC dismisses a complaint after declining to exercise jurisdiction

G-3, *Andeavor Field Services, LLC v. Mid-America Pipeline Company, LLC* and *Enterprise Products Operating LLC*, Docket No. OR18-15-000. In this order, the Commission declines to exercise jurisdiction over a contractual dispute and, accordingly, dismisses the complaint.

FERC approves a show cause order

H-1, *Contoocook Hydro, LLC*, Project No. 4253-003. The order requires the exemptee for the River Street Project No. 4253 (located on the Nubanusit River in Hillsborough County, New Hampshire) to either (a) demonstrate that it possesses property rights to all project facilities included in its exemption, including the Bell Mill dam, or (b) show cause as to why it is not in violation of its exemption for failure to possess these property rights. The order notes that the lease allowing the previous exemptee to use the western half of the Bell Mill dam for power production has expired, and not been renewed.

FERC amends a license, approves revised operation and compliance plan

H-2, *Northern Indiana Public Service Co., LLC*, Project No. 12514-074. The order amends the license to approve a revised definition of “abnormal river conditions,” approves a revised operation and compliance plan, and terminates a temporary variance for the Norway-Oakdale Hydroelectric Project No. 12514. The project is located on the Tippecanoe River in Carroll and White counties, Indiana. The license amendment implements measures required by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under the Endangered Species Act to minimize incidental take of threatened and endangered mussels species.

FERC grants a stay and dismisses rehearing request

H-3, *PacifiCorp*, Project Nos. 2082-065 and 14803-002. The order grants PacifiCorp’s motion for a stay of the Commission’s March 15, 2018 Order Amending License and Deferring Consideration of Transfer Application until the Commission acts on PacifiCorp’s requested license transfer for the Lower Klamath (Project No. 14803), and dismisses as moot PacifiCorp’s alternative request for a limited rehearing. The order

notes the requirement that PacifiCorp provide information specified in the March 15 order before the Commission will consider acting on the transfer request is not affected.