

March 2019

Commission Meeting Summaries

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E-1 – Press Release

E-2 – Press Release

FERC grants an application

E-4, *Mountain Breeze Wind, LLC*, Docket No. TX19-1-000. This order is a proposed order that grants an application by Mountain Breeze for an order under sections 210 and 211 of the Federal Power Act directing Cedar Creek Entities to provide interconnection and transmission services to Mountain Breeze's proposed wind farm. The order finds that Mountain Breeze meets all of the conditions of sections 210 and 211. The order also directs the parties to negotiate the compensation, terms, and conditions of the interconnection and transmission services

FERC approves a proposed transaction

E-5, *NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC*, Docket No. EC19-36-000. This order approves an application submitted by NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC (NEET) and Trans Bay Cable LLC under section 203 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization for a transaction by which NEET will acquire ownership of Trans Bay Cable.

FERC conditionally accepts a filing

E-6, *Louisville Gas and Electric Company*, Docket Nos. EC98-2-001 and ER18-2162-000. This order conditionally grants a request of Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E) and Kentucky Utilities Company (KU) pursuant to section 203(b) of the Federal

Power Act to remove mitigation imposed to resolve horizontal market power concerns arising from LG&E/KU's merger in 1998 and subsequent withdrawal from Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. in 2006. The order conditionally grants LG&E/KU's request subject to the implementation of a transition mechanism for certain power supply arrangements.

FERC denies a request

E-7, *Cube Yadkin Transmission LLC*, Docket No. ES19-5-000. This order denies Cube Yadkin's request for authorization under section 204 of the Federal Power Act to issue debt securities or assume obligations and liabilities as a guarantor of its parent company's obligations in the aggregate amount of \$170 million. The order finds that Cube Yadkin has not demonstrated that the proposed issuance of debt securities or assumption of obligations or liabilities will not impair its ability to perform utility service.

FERC accepts proposed tariff revisions

E-8, *Cheyenne Light, Fuel and Power Company*, Docket Nos. ER19-654-000 and EL18-79-000. The order accepts Cheyenne Light, Fuel and Power's proposed tariff filing to revise its stated transmission rates to reflect the updated federal corporate income tax rate implemented by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017.

FERC accepts a compliance filing

E-9, *New York Independent System Operator, Inc.*, Docket No. ER16-120-007. On February 19, 2015, the Commission instituted a proceeding in accordance with section 206 of the Federal Power Act directing NYISO to submit tariff revisions governing the retention of and compensation to generating units needed for reliability. On April 23, 2018, the Commission ordered NYISO to submit a compliance filing. This order accepts NYISO's compliance filing to the April 23, 2018 Order, subject to condition, and directs NYISO to submit a further compliance filing.

FERC accepts in part and rejects in part a compliance filing

E-10, *Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.*, Docket Nos. ER18-2397-000, ER18-2397-001. The order accepts in part and rejects in part MISO's compliance filing that includes revisions to its tariff to comply with the requirements of Order No. 844.

FERC accepts a compliance filing

E-11, *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Docket Nos. ER18-2401-000, ER18-2401-001. The order accepts PJM's compliance filing that includes revisions to its tariff to comply with the requirements of Order No. 844.

FERC accepts in part and rejects in part a compliance filing

E-12, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*, Docket Nos. ER18-2318-000, ER18-2318-001. The order accepts in part and rejects in part SPP's filing that includes revisions to its tariff to comply with the requirements of Order No. 844.

FERC accepts an uncontested settlement

E-13, *Wisconsin Electric Power Company*, Docket No. ER18-829-001. This order approves an uncontested settlement that addresses the revenue requirements for the provision of reactive supply and voltage control from various Wisconsin Electric generating units operating in the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. region.

FERC denies request for a show cause order

E-14. *ITC Great Plains, LLC*, Docket No. ER09-548-000. The order denies a motion for an order to show cause, submitted by the Kansas Corporation Commission, asking that ITC Great Plains' previously granted Transco adder be reduced. The order denies the motion without prejudice.

FERC grants a request for clarification

E-16, *Public Service Company of Colorado*, Docket No. ER18-2428-001. This order grants PSCo's request for clarification of a delegated letter order that accepted for filing a Federal Power Act section 205 tariff revision by PSCo intended to make ministerial rather than substantive changes to the PSCo tariff.

FERC dismisses request for rehearing

E-17, *NorthWestern Corp.*, Docket No. EL18-104-001. The order dismisses as premature NorthWestern's request for rehearing of the November 15, 2018 order holding this Federal Power Act section 206 proceeding in abeyance.

FERC denies rehearing

E-18, *Gregory and Beverly Swecker v. Midland Power Cooperative; Gregory Swecker and Beverly Swecker v. Midland Power Cooperative and Central Iowa Power Cooperative*, Docket Nos. EL14-9-002; QF11-424-006; EL14-18-002. The order denies the Sweckers' request for rehearing of the Commission's order that denied the Sweckers' request for the production by Midland Power Cooperative and Central Iowa Power Cooperative of additional data.

FERC dismisses a formal challenge and dismisses in part and denies in part a complaint

E-21, *City of Alexandria, Louisiana v. Cleco Power LLC*, Docket No. EL19-6-000. The order addresses the formal challenge and complaint filed by City of Alexandria, Louisiana against Cleco Power LLC. The order dismisses the formal challenge on procedural grounds, and denies in part and dismisses in part the complaint.

FERC denies a formal challenge and complaint

E-22, *Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. v. Westar Energy, Inc.*, Docket No. EL19-17-000. The order addresses the formal challenge and complaint filed by Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.'s against Westar Energy, Inc. The order denies the formal challenge and complaint.

FERC denies a complaint

G-1, *BP Energy Company, Equinor Natural Gas LLC, and Shell NA LNG LLC v. Dominion Energy Cove Point LNG, LP*, Docket No. RP19-389-000. Complainants allege that the LNG facility has been charging them for fuel use that, they argue, the LNG facility should be paying for itself rather than passing on to customers. The order (1) finds that the complaint is not procedurally barred; (2) rejects the Complainants' arguments under the tariff; and (3) rejects the Complainants' arguments under Natural Gas Act section 3.

FERC denies a complaint

G-2, *Arena Energy LP, Castex Offshore, Inc., EnVen Energy Ventures, LLC, Fieldwood Energy LLC, W&T Offshore, Inc., and Walter Oil & Gas Corporation v. High Point Gas Transmission, LLC*, Docket No. RP19-310-000. The order denies a complaint filed by Arena Energy LP, Castex Offshore, Inc., EnVen Energy Ventures, LLC, Fieldwood Energy LLC, W&T Offshore, Inc., and Walter Oil & Gas Corporation against High Point. The complaint alleged that High Point violated the Commission's open-access transportation policies, the Commission's policies with respect to an interstate pipeline acquiring off-system capacity, and its tariff because High Point failed to respond adequately to a request for transportation service.

FERC approves a settlement

G-3, *BP Products North America Inc. v. Sunoco Pipeline L.P.*, Docket No. OR15-25-002. The order approves a settlement that resolves BP Products North America's complaint against Sunoco Pipeline.