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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EC02-119-000, *et al.*]

#### **Manchief Power Company, L.L.C., et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings**

October 1, 2002.

The following filings have been made with the Commission. The filings are listed in ascending order within each docket classification.

#### **1. Manchief Power Company, L.L.C., Manchief Holding Company, Mesquite Colorado Holdco, L.L.C., Mesquite Investors, L.L.C., Fulton Cogeneration Associates, L.P.**

[Docket No. EC02-119-000]

Take notice that on September 26, 2002, Manchief Power Company, L.L.C. (Manchief Power), Manchief Holding Company (Manchief Holding), Mesquite Colorado Holdco, L.L.C. (Mesquite Colorado) Mesquite Investors, L.L.C. (Mesquite Investors) and Fulton Cogeneration Associates, L.P. (Fulton) (jointly, Applicants) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act for authorization to effectuate a transfer of the member interests in Manchief Power (which constitutes and indirect change in control over Manchief Power's jurisdictional facilities) from Mesquite Colorado to Manchief Holding. Applicants also requested expedited consideration of the Application and privileged treatment for certain exhibits pursuant to 18 CFR 33.9 and 388.112. Fulton and Manchief are also requesting Section 203 approval, to the extent applicable, to separate their shared market-based rate tariff.

*Comment Date:* October 17, 2002.

#### **2. Entergy Services, Inc.**

[Docket Nos. ER01-1951-003 and EL01-112-001]

Take notice that on September 23, 2002, Entergy Services, Inc., on behalf of Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Gulf States, Inc., Entergy Louisiana, Inc., Entergy Mississippi, Inc., and Entergy New Orleans, Inc., (collectively, the

Entergy Operating Companies) tendered for filing a compliance refund report in accordance with the Commission's letter order in Docket Nos. ER01-1951-000, ER01-1951-001, ER01-1951-002, and EL01-112-000.

*Comment Date:* October 23, 2002.

#### **3. Duke Energy Oakland LLC, Duke Energy South Bay LLC**

[Docket Nos. ER02-10-001 and ER02-239-003]

Take notice that on September 26, 2002, Duke Energy South Bay, LLC (DESB) tendered for filing certain revisions to Schedules A and B of its RMR Agreement (RMR Agreement) with the California Independent System Operator (CAISO). The revisions are proposed in light of an Offer of Settlement submitted in the above-referenced dockets.

DESB requests an effective date of January 1, 2002 for these revisions. Copies of the filing have been served upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in these proceedings.

*Comment Date:* October 17, 2002.

#### **4. Commonwealth Edison Company**

[Docket No. ER02-2241-001]

Take notice that on September 27, 2002, Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd) submitted for filing an unexecuted Agreement for Dynamic Scheduling of Transmission Service between ComEd and Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric) under ComEd's Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) in compliance with Commonwealth Edison Co., 100 FERC ¶ 61,231 (2002).

ComEd states that a copy of this filing has been served on Wisconsin Electric and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment Date:* October 18, 2002.

#### **5. California Independent System Operator Corporation**

[Docket No. ER02-2321-003]

Take notice that on September 27, 2002, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO) submitted a filing in compliance with the directives contained in the Commission's August 30, 2002 order in the captioned docket concerning Amendment No. 46 to the ISO Tariff, 100 FERC ¶ 61,234.

The ISO has served this filing upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, the California Energy Commission, the California Electricity Oversight Board, all parties with effective Scheduling Coordinator Service Agreements under the ISO Tariff, and all parties on the official

service list for the captioned docket. In addition, the ISO has posted a copy of the filing on its Home Page.

*Comment Date:* October 18, 2002.

#### **6. Southern California Edison Company**

[Docket Nos. ER02-2604-000 and EC02-118-000]

Take notice that on September 24, 2002, Southern California Edison Company (SCE) tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), pursuant to Section 35.13 of the Commission's regulations and Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, the High Desert Power Project Tie-Line Facilities Rental Agreement (Tie-Line Agreement), dated September 10, 2002, between SCE and High Desert Power Trust, LLC (HDPT). The Tie-Line Agreement specifies, among other things, that SCE shall engineer, design, procure, construct, install, own, operate, and maintain a 230 kV transmission line and related facilities to connect the switchyard at the High Desert Power Project to interconnection facilities at SCE's Victor Substation (Tie-Line). Following the in-service date of the Tie-Line, SCE will lease the Tie-Line to HDPT.

SCE requests that the Tie-Line Agreement be accepted for filing effective September 25, 2002. In addition, SCE also filed with the Commission an application pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act requesting any authorizations deemed necessary by the Commission for a disposition of jurisdictional facilities, namely a lease of the Tie-Line to HDPT, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Tie Line Agreement. SCE respectfully requests that this application be granted and authorization be obtained by September 25, 2002.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, HDPT and HDPP.

*Comment Date:* October 15, 2002.

#### **7. Sierra Pacific Power Company, Nevada Power Company**

[Docket No. ER02-2609-000]

Take notice that on September 27, 2002, Sierra Pacific Power Company (Sierra) and Nevada Power Company (Nevada Power) tendered for filing pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power a revised Joint Open Access Transmission Tariff. This filing is intended to implement retail access in Nevada and to make certain other changes to reflect the current status of operations. Sierra and Nevada Power request that the revised tariff be made effective on November 1, 2002, which is

the date that retail access commences in the state of Nevada.

*Comment Date:* October 18, 2002.

### Standard Paragraph

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 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 motion to intervene. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

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Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-420-000]

#### Red Lake Gas Storage, L.P.; Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Red Lake Gas Storage Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

October 1, 2002.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Red Lake Gas Storage Project involving construction and operation of facilities by Red Lake Gas Storage, L.P. (RLGS) in Mohave County, Arizona.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> RLGS' application was filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.

These facilities would consist of: 2 underground salt caverns, about 52 miles of various diameter pipeline, 34,000 horsepower (hp) of compression, and appurtenant gas storage facilities. The EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a RLGS representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. RLGS would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the project is approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, RLGS could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" was attached to the project notice RLGS provided to landowners. This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)).

### Summary of the Proposed Project

RLGS proposes to construct the underground gas storage facilities in Mohave County, Arizona to provide firm and interruptible gas storage and hub services in interstate commerce. RLGS seeks authority to construct and operate:

1. Two subsurface solution-mined salt caverns for gas storage;
2. 31.0 miles of 36-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline with a collocated fiber optic cable;
3. 4.7 miles of 6-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline;
4. 11.5 miles of 18-inch-diameter brine disposal pipeline;
5. 4.7 miles of 16-inch-diameter raw-water supply pipeline;
6. four raw water supply wells;
7. four brine disposal wells;
8. a 25,000-horsepower (hp) gas storage field compressor station;
9. a gas dehydration system;
10. a 4.9-mile-long access road;
11. electric power generators; and
12. an interconnecting facility containing a meter station, a 9,000-hp compressor station, and 18-inch-diameter interconnecting pipelines to El Paso Natural Gas Company (0.3-mile-long), Transwestern Pipeline Company (0.2-mile-long), and Questar Southern

Trails Pipeline Company (0.4-mile-long).

The general location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 1.<sup>2</sup> If you are interested in obtaining detailed maps of a specific portion of the project, send in your request using the form in Appendix 3.

### Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would require about 746.9 acres of land. Following construction, about 414.3 acres would be maintained as new aboveground facility sites and permanent right-of-way. The remaining 332.6 acres of land would be restored and allowed to revert to its former use.

### The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us<sup>3</sup> to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. This process is referred to as "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

Geology and soils  
Land use  
Water resources, fisheries, and wetlands  
Cultural resources  
Vegetation and wildlife  
Air quality and noise  
Endangered and threatened species  
Hazardous waste  
Public safety

<sup>2</sup> The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available on the Commission's website at the "FERRIS" link or from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 502-8371. For instructions on connecting to FERRIS refer to the last page of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

<sup>3</sup> "We", "us", and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Office of Energy Projects (OEP).