DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
[Project No. 12757–004—Louisiana]
Red River Lock & Dam No. 4 Hydroelectric Project; BOST4 Hydroelectric LLC; Notice of Proposed Restricted Service List for a Programmatic Agreement

Rule 2010 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.2010, provides that, to eliminate unnecessary expense or improve administrative efficiency, the Secretary may establish a restricted service list for a particular phase or issue in a proceeding. The restricted service list should contain the names of persons on the service list who, in the judgment of the decisional authority establishing the list, are active participants with respect to the phase or issue in the proceeding for which the list is established.

The Commission staff is consulting with the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Officer (Louisiana SHPO) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (Advisory Council) pursuant to the Advisory Council’s regulations, 36 CFR part 800, implementing section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, (16 U.S.C. 470f), to prepare and execute a programmatic agreement for managing properties included in, or eligible for inclusion in, the National Register of Historic Places that could be affected by issuance of a license for the proposed Red River Lock & Dam No. 4 Hydroelectric Project No. 12757.

The programmatic agreement, when executed by the Commission and the Louisiana SHPO, would satisfy the Commission’s section 106 responsibilities for all individual undertakings carried out in accordance with the license until the license expires or is terminated (36 CFR 800.13e). The Commission’s responsibilities pursuant to section 106 for the proposed project would be fulfilled through the programmatic agreement, which staff proposes to draft in consultation with certain parties listed below.

BOST4 Hydroelectric LLC, as applicant for the proposed Red River Lock & Dam No. 4 Project No. 12757, is invited to participate in consultations to develop the programmatic agreement. For purposes of commenting on the programmatic agreement, staff proposes to restrict the service list for the aforementioned project as follows:

Any person on the official service list for the above-captioned proceeding may request inclusion on the restricted service list, or may request that a restricted service list not be established, by filing a motion to that effect within 15 days of this notice date. In a request for inclusion, please identify the reason or reasons why there is an interest to be included. Also please identify any concerns about historic properties, including traditional cultural properties. If historic properties are identified within the motion, please use a separate page, and label it NON-PUBLIC Information.

Any such motions may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission’s Web site (http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ferconline.asp) under the “efiling” link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments click on “Quick Comment.” For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov; call toll-free at (866) 208–3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please put the project number (P–12757–004) on the first page of the filing.

If no such motions are filed, the restricted service list will be effective at the end of the 15-day period. Otherwise, a further notice will be issued ruling on any motion or motions filed within the 15-day period.


Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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reactive power resources, including synchronous and asynchronous generation resources, transmission resources and energy storage resources; the design options for and cost of installing reactive power equipment at the time of interconnection as well as retrofitting a resource with reactive power equipment; other means by which reactive power is currently secured such as through self-supply; and how a technology that is capable of providing reactive power but may not be subject to the generation interconnection process (e.g., FACTs) would be analyzed. The staff and participants discussed information on methods used to determine the reactive power requirements for a transmission system and how system impact and system planning studies take into account changes in technologies connected to the system.

Persons wishing to comment on these issues should submit written comments to the Commission no later than May 21, 2012.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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Meeting Related to the Transmission Planning Activities of the Southwest Power Pool, Inc.; Notice of Commission Staff Attendance

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of the Commission’s staff may attend the following meeting related to the transmission planning activities of the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP):

Strategic Planning Committee Task Force on Order 1000

April 25, 2012.
9 a.m.–3 p.m. Local Time.
The above-referenced meeting will be held at: OG&E Offices, 321 N. Harvey Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73101.
The above-referenced meeting is open to stakeholders.

Further information may be found at www.spp.org.

The discussions at the meetings described above may address matters at issue in the following proceedings:
Docket No. ER09–548–001, ITC Great Plains, LLC.
Docket No. ER11–4105–000, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Docket No. ER11–3967–002, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Docket No. ER11–3967–003, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Docket No. ER12–1179–000, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

For more information, contact Luciano Lima, Office of Energy Markets Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at (202) 502–6210 or luciano.lima@ferc.gov.
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Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.; Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference

As announced in the Notice of Technical Conference issued on April 4, 2012, and as required in the Commission’s March 30, 2012 order in these dockets, there will be a technical conference in these proceedings on May 15, 2012 at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC, Room 3M–2A&B.
The technical conference will be led by staff, and will be open for the public to attend. Attendees may register in advance at the following Web page: https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/midwest-independent-5-15-12-form.asp. Advance registration is not required, but is encouraged. Parties attending in person should still allow time to pass through building security procedures before the 9:00 a.m. start time of the conference.
The conference will not be webcast, but will be accessible via telephone. Parties wishing to participate by phone should fill out the registration form and check the box indicating that they wish to participate by conference call, and do so no later than 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on Wednesday, May 9. Parties selecting this option will receive a confirmation email containing a dial-in number and a password before the conference. To the extent possible, individuals calling from the same location share a single telephone line.

FERC conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an email to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 866–208–3372 (voice) or 202–208–1659 (TTY), or send a FAX to 202–208–2106 with the required accommodations.

For further information regarding this conference, contact Stephen Pointer at stephen.pointer@ferc.gov or 202–502–8761, Adam Pollock at adam.pollock@ferc.gov or 202–502–8458, or Katherine Waldbauer at katherine.waldbauer@ferc.gov or 202–502–8232.

I. Questions to be Addressed Prior to Technical Conference. The Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (MISO) and/or Potomac Economics, Inc., MISO’s Independent Market Monitor (IMM), are requested to file written responses to each of the questions below by Thursday, May 10, 2012, so that the responses may be discussed at the technical conferences.

1. Provide monthly information (from 2009 forward) on how many units were committed for VLR and the percentage of those units that were committed on transmission lines of less than 100 kV. Provide information on where in the MISO region these VLR units were committed. Does MISO expect VLR commitments in the future, and if so, where? Please explain.

2. How many VLR units (from 2009 forward) were economically dispatched?

3. With regard to the IMM testimony in Docket No. ER12–678 at ¶ 15–22, for the period from January 2010 to September 2011:

a. Were VLR units economically dispatched during any of these hours? Provide data on the number of hours VLR units were economically dispatched.

b. Did these units have headroom? If so, how many MWs?

4. MISO states that “[i]n principle, voltage issues would be modeled using thermal constraints as a proxy in the commitment and dispatch” 3 and “[i]n fact, these commitments are made per operating procedures and guidelines regardless of expected or actual deviation volumes.”

a. Please provide the Operating Procedures and guidelines.

b. Is this a change from previous years?

c. How do you currently model thermal and voltage issues?


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Director.

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2 Docket No. ER12–678–000 Filing, Tab E, Affidavit of David B. Patton.
3 Analysis of Market Results at 1.
4 Id. at 8.