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q. The Commission's scoping process will help determine the required level of analysis and satisfy the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) scoping requirements, irrespective of whether the Commission prepares an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

### Scoping Meetings

Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings for the project to receive input on the scope of the NEPA document. An evening meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on August 2, 2023, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Bakersfield, California, and will focus on receiving input from the public. A daytime meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the same day, at the same location, and will focus on the concerns of resource agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and Indian tribes. We invite all interested agencies, Indian Tribes, non-governmental organizations, and individuals to attend one or both meetings. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

#### Evening Scoping Meeting

*Date:* Wednesday, August 2, 2023.

*Time:* 6:00 p.m. (PST).

*Place:* Hilton Garden Inn.

*Address:* 3625 Marriot Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308.

*Phone:* (661) 716-1000.

#### Daytime Scoping Meeting

*Date:* Wednesday, August 2, 2023.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. (PST).

*Place:* Hilton Garden Inn.

*Address:* 3625 Marriot Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308.

*Phone:* (661) 716-1000.

SD1, which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list and SCE's distribution list. Copies of SD1 may be

viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 may include a revised process plan and schedule, as well as a list of issues, identified through the scoping process.

### Environmental Site Review

The applicant and Commission staff will conduct an environmental site review of the project. All interested individuals, agencies, tribes, and NGOs are invited to attend. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to/from the project and during the site visit. Participants must wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes, or boots. Please RSVP via email to [David.Moore@sce.com](mailto:David.Moore@sce.com) or notify David Moore at (626) 302-9494 on or before July 28, 2023 if you plan to attend the environmental site review. The time and location of the environmental site review is as follows:

#### Kern River No. 1 Project

*Date:* Tuesday, August 1, 2023.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. (PST).

*Place:* Kern 1 Powerhouse.

*Address:* 21400 CA-178, Bakersfield, CA 93306.

Participants must meet at the Kern 1 Powerhouse parking lot to begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. with a tour of the powerhouse. After the powerhouse, we will travel to the Democrat Dam and the Democrat put-in/take-out recreation site.

### Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, Commission staff will: (1) initiate scoping of the issues; (2) review and discuss existing conditions; (3) review and discuss existing information and identify preliminary information and study needs; (4) review and discuss the process plan and schedule for pre-filing activity that incorporates the time frames provided for in Part 5 of the Commission's regulations and, to the extent possible, maximizes coordination of federal, state, and tribal permitting and certification processes; and (5) discuss the potential of any federal or state agency or Indian tribe to act as a cooperating agency for development of an environmental document.

Meeting participants should come prepared to discuss their issues and/or concerns. Please review the PAD in preparation for the scoping meetings. Directions on how to obtain a copy of the PAD and SD1 are included in item n of this document.

### Meeting Procedures

Commission staff are moderating the scoping meetings. The meetings are recorded by an independent stenographer and become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project. Individuals, NGOs, Indian tribes, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meeting and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the NEPA document.

Dated: June 29, 2023.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15287-000]

### HGE Energy Storage 3 LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On September 27, 2022, HGE Energy Storage LLC, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Fort Ross Pumped Storage Project to be located in Sonoma County, California, adjacent to the Pacific Ocean, approximately 1.5 miles northwest of Fort Ross State Historic Park. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The pumped storage hydropower project will consist of: (1) a new upper reservoir with a surface area of 23 acres and a storage volume of 5,600 acre-feet at a maximum water-surface elevation of 1,500 feet mean sea level; (2) a 12,000 foot-long, 10-foot-diameter steel-lined conduit that connects the reservoir to the powerhouse; (3) a 250-foot-long, 30-foot-wide, 100-foot-high, steel-reinforced concrete powerhouse constructed 100 feet below ground level, with five 250-megawatt (MW) reversible variable-speed pump-turbines, with a combined installed capacity of 1,250-MW that discharge into the Pacific Ocean; (4) a 100-foot-high, 30-foot-wide

(2022). Because the filing deadline falls on a Saturday (*i.e.*, September 2, 2023), the filing deadline is extended until the close of business on Tuesday, September 5, 2023.

vertical access tunnel from ground level to the powerhouse; (5) a vertical intake structure and breakwater of undetermined size and design to lead from the tailrace to the powerhouse and to dissipate discharge energy; (6) a 500-foot-long, 250-foot-wide concrete-lined tailrace; and (7) a 0.5-mile-long, 69-kilovolt line extending from the powerhouse to a planned AC-DC converter station. The estimated annual energy production of the project would be approximately 3,714,406 megawatt-hours.

**Applicant Contact:** Mr. Wayne Krouse, HGE Energy Storage 3 LLC, 2901 4th Avenue South, #B 253, Birmingham, AL 35233; email: [wayne@hgenergy.com](mailto:wayne@hgenergy.com); phone: (877) 556-6566 X 709.

**FERC Contact:** Shannon Archuleta; email: [shannon.archuleta@ferc.gov](mailto:shannon.archuleta@ferc.gov); phone (503) 552-2739.

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The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters without prior registration using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please get in touch with FERC Online Support at [FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). Instead of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room

1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-15287-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed on the Commission's website (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number (P-15287) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, do not hesitate to get in touch with FERC Online Support.

Dated: June 29, 2023.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2290-122]

#### Southern California Edison; Notice of Environmental Site Review

On August 1, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time), Commission staff and Southern California Edison (SCE), the licensee for the Kern River No. 3 Hydroelectric Project No. 2290 (project), will conduct an environmental site review of the project. All interested individuals, agencies, Tribes, and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

The site review will include the project powerhouse, Corral Creek Diversion, Salmon Creek Diversion, and commence at Fairview Dam. Please note that all participants are responsible for their own transportation to/from the project and during the site review tour. If you are interested in attending, or have questions regarding the site review, please RSVP David Moore with SCE at [David.Moore@sce.com](mailto:David.Moore@sce.com) or (626) 302-9494 on or before July 28, 2023.

Participants will meet at the put-in/take-out recreation site just downstream of the project's powerhouse located at: 15171 Sierra Way, Kernville, CA 93238. Participants should arrive early for coordination purposes and to begin the tour promptly at 1:00 p.m. Additionally, participants must wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes, or boots.

Dated: June 29, 2023.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings # 2

Take notice that the Commission received the following Complaints and Compliance filings in EL Dockets:

**Docket Numbers:** EL23-57-002.

**Applicants:** Lee County Generating Station, LLC v. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

**Description:** Joint Request of PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. and Lee County Generating Station, LLC for Waiver of Tariff Provisions, Expedited Consideration and Shortened Comment Period.

**Filed Date:** 6/28/23.

**Accession Number:** 20230628-5195.

**Comment Date:** 5 p.m. ET 7/3/23.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

**Docket Numbers:** ER23-1770-001.

**Applicants:** Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Mississippi Power Company.

**Description:** Tariff Amendment: Alabama Power Company submits tariff filing per 35.17(b): AMEA Revised NITSA Amendment Filing (DNR LOC) to be effective 8/1/2023.

**Filed Date:** 6/29/23.

**Accession Number:** 20230629-5043.

**Comment Date:** 5 p.m. ET 7/20/23.

**Docket Numbers:** ER23-2295-000.  
**Applicants:** Invenergy Solar Project Development LLC.

**Description:** Petition of Invenergy Solar Project Development LLC for Prospective One-Time Limited Waiver Request of the Deadline Set in Section 212.4(C) of PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. OATT.

**Filed Date:** 6/28/23.

**Accession Number:** 20230628-5184.

**Comment Date:** 5 p.m. ET 7/12/23.

**Docket Numbers:** ER23-2298-000.  
**Applicants:** Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., Union Electric Company.

**Description:** § 205(d) Rate Filing: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. submits tariff filing per 35.13(a)(2)(iii): 2023-06-29\_Union Electric d/b/a Ameren Missouri Depreciation Rates to be effective 7/1/2023.