

Janesville Reservoir. The Janesville Project is operated manually.

Beloit Project—Midwest Hydro maintains the elevation of the Beloit Reservoir between 744.4 feet NGVD 29 and 745.0 feet NGVD 29 under normal operating conditions. There is no minimum flow requirement at the Beloit Project. However, when inflow to the project is less than the turbine's minimum hydraulic capacity of 500 cfs, all flow is passed downstream. The Beloit Project is equipped with an auto-gate that operates based on reservoir elevation levels.

Rockton Project—Midwest Hydro maintains the elevation of the Rockton Reservoir at 725.48 feet NGVD 29 under normal operating conditions and provides a minimum flow of 300 cfs or inflow, whichever is less, into the Rockton bypassed reach. The Rockton Project is operated manually.

Dixon Project—STS Hydro maintains a minimum one-inch veiling flow (*i.e.*, no less than 50 cfs) over the Dixon overflow dam or, when in place, the flashboards. The Dixon Project is operated manually or via a programmable logic controller (PLC), which maintains water levels in Dixon Reservoir.

Midwest Hydro and STS Hydro propose to continue operating the Janesville, Beloit, Rockton, and Dixon Projects with the following environmental measures: (1) operate each project in a run-of-river mode, such that outflow at each project approximates inflow to each project impoundment; (2) develop an operations monitoring plan for each project to document compliance with the operational requirements of any subsequent or new license, including reservoir elevations and minimum flow requirements; (3) provide a 35 cfs minimum flow or inflow, whichever is less, over the Janesville spillway to protect downstream aquatic resources in the Rock River; (4) provide a 300 cfs minimum flow or inflow, whichever is less, over the Rockton spillway to protect downstream aquatic resources in the Rock River; (5) provide a 1-inch veiling flow (*i.e.*, no less than 50 cfs) or inflow, whichever is less, over the Dixon spillway or, when in place, the flashboards to protect downstream aquatic resources in the Rock River; (6) develop a rapid response aquatic invasive species monitoring plan for the Rockton Project; (7) avoid tree removal (greater than 3-inch diameter at breast height from April 1 to October 15, which is the active season for the Indiana and northern long-eared bats), unless the tree poses a significant human health safety hazard, for the

protection of the Indiana and northern long-eared bats; (8) maintain existing recreation facilities; and (9) develop and implement a Historic Properties Management Plan and Programmatic Agreement to protect and mitigate effects to historic properties.

m. Copies of the applications can be viewed on the Commission's website at <https://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the project's docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room. For assistance, contact FERC at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY (202) 502-8659.

You may also register at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to these or other pending projects. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov).

#### n. Scoping Process

Commission staff will prepare either a multi-project environmental assessment (EA) or an environmental impact statement (EIS) that describes and evaluates the probable effects, if any, of the applicants' proposed action and alternatives. The EA or EIS will consider environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. 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 EA or an EIS. At this time, we do not anticipate holding on-site public or agency scoping meetings. Instead, we are soliciting written comments and suggestions on the preliminary list of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the NEPA document, as described in scoping document 1 (SD1), issued July 20, 2023.

Copies of SD1 outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the NEPA document were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing lists and the applicants' distribution lists. Copies of SD1 may be viewed on the web at <https://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER23-2406-000]

#### **Arica Solar, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization**

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Arica Solar, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest 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). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is August 9, 2023.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all

interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER23-2407-000]

#### **Strauss Wind, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization**

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Strauss Wind, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest 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). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is August 9, 2023.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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#### **McFarland Solar B, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization**

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of McFarland Solar B, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest 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). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

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