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Dated: January 8, 2024.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sunshine Act Meetings

The following notice of meeting is published pursuant to Section 3(a) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. 94-409), 5 U.S.C. 552b:

TIME AND DATE: January 25, 2024.

* *Note.*—The Closed meeting will follow the Joint meeting of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.¹

PLACE: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Non-Public, Cyber Security, Energy and Security Issues.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Telephone (202) 502-8400.

Chairman Phillips, and Commissioners Clements, and Christie voted to hold a closed meeting that will be held on January 25, 2024. The certification of the General Counsel explaining the action closing the meeting is available for viewing on the Commission's website at <https://>

elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search using the eLibrary link, under accession number 20240110-3025.

The Chairman and the Commissioners and members of their staff, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and members of their staff, are expected to attend the meeting. Other staff members from the Commission's program offices who will advise the Commissioners in the matters discussed will also be present.

Issued: January 10, 2024.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2361-000]

ALLETE, Inc; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

The license for the Prairie River Hydroelectric Project No. 2361 was issued for a period ending December 31, 2023.

Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year-to-year an annual license to the then licensee(s) under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 2361 is issued to ALLETE, Inc. for a period effective January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, or until the issuance

of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before December 31, 2024, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that ALLETE, Inc. is authorized to continue operation of the Prairie River Hydroelectric Project under the terms and conditions of the prior license until the issuance of a subsequent license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first.

Dated: January 8, 2024.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1494-405]

Grand River Dam Authority; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) regulations, 18 CFR part 380, Commission staff reviewed the Grand River Dam Authority's (GRDA) application for an amendment to the license of the Pensacola Hydroelectric Project No. 1494 and have prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed amendment. GRDA proposes to acquire, develop, and manage a 540-acre tract of land known as the Coal Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA) and include these lands in the project boundary. This area is located along the south side of the Neosho River about three miles southwest of Miami, Oklahoma, immediately adjacent to the project boundary. Features of the Pensacola Project include: a concrete dam; auxiliary spillways; a reservoir known as Grand Lake O' the Cherokees (Grand Lake); six penstocks, turbines, and generators; a powerhouse; a tailrace; and appurtenant facilities. The project is located on the Neosho (Grand) River in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, and Ottawa counties, Oklahoma, and occupies

¹ See *FERC*, Notice of Joint Meeting of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Docket No. AD06-6-000 (Jan. 10, 2024).