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#### Correction

In FR Doc. No. 2023–22482, appearing on pages 70652–70654 of the **Federal Register** of October 12, 2023, we make the following correction:

On page 70652, in the heading, remove “[Docket ID ED–2023–IES–0011]” and add, in its place, “[Docket ID ED–2023–IES–0182]”.

**Mark Schneider,**

*Director, Institute of Education Sciences.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Public Availability of the Department of Energy’s FY 2021 Service Contract Inventory

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisition Management, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of public availability of FY 2021 service contract inventory.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2010 and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance, the Department of Energy (DOE) is publishing this notice to advise the public on the availability of the FY 2021 Government-Wide Service Contract Inventory, FY2021 DOE Service Contract Inventory Analysis Plan and FY 2020 DOE Service Contract Inventory Analysis. This inventory provides information on

service contract actions over \$150,000 that DOE completed in FY 2021. The inventory has been developed in accordance with guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget’s Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP). The FY 2021 government-wide service contract inventory can be found at [www.acquisition.gov/service-contract-inventory](http://www.acquisition.gov/service-contract-inventory). The Department of Energy’s service contract inventory data is included in the government-wide inventory posted on the above link and the government-wide inventory can be filtered to display the inventory data for the Department. DOE has posted its FY 2020 Service Contract Inventory Analysis and FY 2021 Service Contract Inventory Analysis Plan at: <https://energy.gov/management/downloads/service-contract-inventory>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions regarding the service contract inventory should be directed to Lance Nyman in the Strategic Programs Division at (240) 474–7960 or [Lance.Nyman@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Lance.Nyman@hq.doe.gov).

#### Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on October 10, 2023, by Berta Schreiber, Director, Office of Acquisition Management, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on October 12, 2023.

**Treana V. Garrett,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98–1–000]

### Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt

of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

Prohibited communications are included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently received by the Secretary of the Commission. This filing may be viewed on the Commission’s website at <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. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

Docket Nos.	File date	Presenter or requester
Prohibited:		
1. P-2082-000 .....	10-2-2023	FERC Staff <sup>1</sup> .
2. CP16-10-012, CP21-57-000, CP19-477-000 .....	10-3-2023	FERC Staff <sup>2</sup> .
Exempt:		
1. CP17-66-001, CP17-67-001 .....	9-28-2023	U.S. Senator Bill Cassidy.
2. EC23-74-000 .....	10-5-2023	Ohio State Senator Rob McColley.
3. P-77-001 .....	10-6-2023	U.S. Congressman Mike Thompson.
4. CP22-2-000 .....	10-11-2023	U.S. Congress <sup>3</sup> .

<sup>1</sup> Emailed comments dated 9/29/23 from William E. Simpson II.

<sup>2</sup> Emailed comments dated 10/1/23 from William F. Limpert.

<sup>3</sup> Congress Members Lori Chavez-DeRemer, Cliff Bentz, Mike Simpson, Russ Fulcher, Kelly Armstrong, Doug LaMaifa, Senators Mike Crapo and James E. Risch.

Dated: October 11, 2023.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 9079-006]

#### **R.J. Fortier Hydropower, Inc., Northeast Community Services, Inc.; Notice of Transfer of Exemption**

1. On September 18, 2023, Northeast Community Services, Inc. filed a notification of the transfer for the 65-kilowatt Upper Spears Stream Hydroelectric Project No. 9079 from R.J. Fortier Hydropower, Inc. to Northeast Community Services, Inc. The exemption from licensing was originally issued on September 30, 1985.<sup>1</sup> The project is located on the Upper Spears Stream, Oxford County, Maine. The transfer of an exemption does not require Commission approval.

2. Northeast Community Services, Inc. is now the exemptee of the Upper Spears Stream Hydroelectric Project No. 9079. All correspondence must be forwarded to Tyler A. Hicks, President, Northeast Community Services, Inc., Massachusetts Address: 257 Union Street, New Bedford, MA 02740, Maine address: 10 Murray Street, Bingham, ME 04920, Phone: (508) 851-9158, email: [northeastcommunityservices@gmail.com](mailto:northeastcommunityservices@gmail.com).

Dated: October 11, 2023.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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<sup>1</sup> Mark A. Vaughn, 32 FERC ¶ 62,716 (1985). Subsequently, on March 31, 2004, the project was transferred to R.J. Fortier Hydropower Inc.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP23-536-000]

#### **Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company; Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed Worcester Resiliency Upgrade Project**

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental document, that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Worcester Resiliency Upgrade Project involving construction and operation of facilities by Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company (Eastern Shore) in Worcester, Wicomico, and Somerset Counties, Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware. The Commission will use this environmental document in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies regarding the project. As part of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review process, the Commission takes into account concerns the public may have about proposals and the environmental impacts that could result from its action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. This gathering of public input is referred to as "scoping." The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the environmental document on the important environmental issues. Additional information about the Commission's NEPA process is described below in the *NEPA Process and Environmental Document* section of this notice.

By this notice, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of issues to address in the

environmental document. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please submit your comments so that the Commission receives them in Washington, DC on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on November 10, 2023. Comments may be submitted in written form. Further details on how to submit comments are provided in the *Public Participation* section of this notice.

Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the environmental document. Commission staff will consider all written comments during the preparation of the environmental document.

If you submitted comments on this project to the Commission before the opening of this docket on September 15, 2023, you will need to file those comments in Docket No. CP23-536-000 to ensure they are considered as part of this proceeding.

This notice is being sent to the Commission's current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives should notify their constituents of this proposed project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, a pipeline company representative may contact you about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable easement agreement. You are not required to enter into an agreement. However, if the Commission approves the project, the Natural Gas Act conveys the right of eminent domain to the company. Therefore, if you and the company do not reach an easement agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in