trashracks connected to two water conveyance channels, one 12-foot-high, 35-foot-long and one 12-foot-high, 85foot-long; (6) an existing powerhouse with two new Kaplan turbine generating units with a total installed capacity of 360 kilowatts; (7) a new 1.5-footdiameter valve in the powerhouse that would discharge flows to the tailrace; and (8) a new buried 480-volt, 125-footlong transmission line connecting the powerhouse to the regional grid. In addition to installing the new turbine generating units and new transmission line listed above, the applicant proposes to renovate and repair the trashracks and tailrace retaining wall, and excavate a new tailrace downstream of the primary dam. The project would be operated in a run-of-river mode and would generate an annual average of approximately 1,454 megawatt-hours.

- o. Carbon Zero, LLC prepared an application for an exemption from licensing, which it subsequently revised and refiled on February 17, 2012, as an application for an original minor license with a request to use the Traditional Licensing Process (TLP). Based on the contents of the exemption and license applications, the TLP three-stage consultation process has been completed; therefore, the Commission is providing notice that it intends to approve Carbon Zero's request to use the TLP.
- p. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at <a href="ferconline-support@ferc.gov">FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>.

Register online at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

- q. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Vermont State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36, CFR, at 800.4.
- r. Procedural schedule: The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Issue Notice of Acceptance Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis.	April 2012. May 2012.
Notice of the availability of the EA.	Nov. 2012.

Dated: March 2, 2012. **Kimberly D. Bose**,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Rocky Ridge Wind Project, LLC, Blackwell Wind, LLC, CPV Cimarron Renewable Energy Company, LLC, Minco Wind Interconnection Services, LLC, Shiloh III Lessee, LLC, California Ridge Wind Energy LLC, Perrin Ranch Wind, LLC, Erie Wind, LLC: Notice of Effectiveness of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

Take notice that during the month of February 2012, the status of the above-captioned entities as Exempt Wholesale Generators or Foreign Utility Companies became effective by operation of the Commission's regulations. 18 CFR 366.7(a).

Dated: March 2, 2012.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP11-515-000]

### Millennium Pipeline Company, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed: Minisink Compressor Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the Minisink Compressor Project, proposed by Millennium Pipeline Company, LLC (Millennium) in the above-referenced docket. Millennium requests authorization to construct and operate a natural gas compressor station in Minisink, New York to increase deliveries to its interconnection with Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC at Ramapo, New York, to approximately 675,000 dekatherms per day.

This EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Minisink Compressor Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. Staff concludes that the proposed project, with appropriate mitigation, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Millennium's proposed Minisink Compressor Project consists of two 6,130-horsepower gas-fired compressor units that would be housed within a new building, as well as an access driveway, parking areas, a station control/auxiliary building, intake and exhaust silencers, turbine lube oil coolers, unit blowdown silencers, a filter-separator with a liquids tank, and an emergency electrical power generator. Pipeline facilities required for the project include approximately 545 feet of new 36-inch-diameter suction and discharge pipelines which would connect the compressor station to the existing mainline. A new mainline valve assembly would also be required on the existing pipeline located between the new suction and discharge pipelines.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; and parties to this proceeding. In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at:

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is