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Jun 22, 2017(CleanTechnica: <http://cleantechnica.com/> Delivered by Newstex) Clean Power[1] Published on June 22nd, 2017 | by Joshua S HillJune 22nd, 2017 by Joshua S Hill[2] Energy company **EDF Renewable Energy** has this week reportedly signed two separate Power Purchase Agreements for solar and wind energy projects that together total 600 megawatts. On Wednesday, US independent power producer **EDF Renewable Energy** announced that it had signed a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) agreement to supply the Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (SMMPA) with 100 megawatts (MW) of wind energy from the Stoneray Wind Project, beginning in 2020. The 100 MW wind project is located in Pipestone and Murray counties in southwest Minnesota and is expected to begin construction in early 2018, and when completed by the end of the year the wind farm should be able to provide enough electricity to meet the needs of 47,000 average homes. 'EDF RE is pleased to expand on its strong historical working relationship with SMMPA to help meet their energy supply goals and objectives,' said Kate O'Hair, Vice President for Development-North Region[3]. 'Minnesota has long been a key state for EDF RE due to its favorable regulatory environment, excellent wind resource, and advantageous transmission expansion.

Stoneray marks our twelfth wind project developed in the state totaling over 1.2 GW and further demonstrates EDF RE's commitment to investment, involvement and employment in Minnesota.' 'Stoneray Wind is a big addition to SMMPA's diverse renewable energy portfolio,' said Dave Geschwind, SMMPA's Executive Director and CEO. 'Building on the success of the 100.5 MW Wapsipinicon Wind project with EDF RE, we're glad to be working further with EDF RE to provide more Minnesota wind energy to our Members and economic benefits to southern Minnesota through this important project.' The news comes on the heels of two other announcements from **EDF Renewable Energy**. Last week, the company revealed that it would sign a Purchase and Sale Agreement in which Alliant Energy Corporation would acquire 50% ownership interest in the 225 MW **Great Western** Wind Project in Oklahoma. The project was completed in December of last year, and under a long-term Power Purchase Agreement, it provides clean energy to Google. 'The sale of equity stakes represents an integral part of **EDF Renewable Energy**'s business model, allowing us to maintain a balanced ownership portfolio in order to assist in the funding of new project development,' explained Raphael DeClercq, Vice President of Portfolio Strategy for EDF RE[4]. 'We are pleased to forge a new business relationship with Alliant Energy on this first transaction. We are confident that our expertise as a developer and operator complements Alliant Energy's renewable energy strategy.' Finally, in the first half of this month, it was reported by The Desert Sun[5] that **EDF Renewable Energy** had signed a PPA with Southern California Edison for 125 MW of the electricity generated at the 500 MW Maverick Solar project (formerly the Palen solar project), built near Desert Center. The Palen solar project has been through the ringer, repeatedly announced and cancelled. The new PPA now waits on confirmation from the California Public Commission and then further approvals from Riverside County and the federal Bureau of Land Management. Check out our new 93-page EV report[6]. Join us for an upcoming Cleantech Revolution Tour conference[7]! Tags: Alliant Energy Corporation[8], **EDF Renewable Energy**[9], Google[10], **Great Western** Wind Project[11], Maverick Solar[12], Minnesota[13], Oklahoma[14], Palen solar[15], SMMPA[16], Southern California Edison[17], southern minnesota municipal power agency[18], Stoneray Wind Project[19] About the Author

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The project, which is located in Woodward and Ellis counties near the base of the Oklahoma panhandle, consists of turbines supplied by Vestas.

It includes 30 V117 (unit capacity of 3.3 MW) and 63 V100 (unit capacity of 2.0 MW) wind turbines.

Great Western Wind Project has the capacity to generate enough electricity to power 70,000 average Oklahoma homes, according to US Energy Information Administration.

Tristan Grimbert said: "The success of the wind industry in 2016 can be attributed in part to corporate purchasers, like Google, who demonstrate their commitment to affordable renewable energy.

"Their participation to directly procure wind power, along with the Production Tax Credit, benefits Americans through manufacturing job creation, energy independence and support to American farmers."

In December 2015, an agreement with Google to purchase the power from **Great Western** was announced in Paris, France.

The announcement was part of Google's presence at the 21st Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21).

Google's Operations for Data Center Energy and Location Strategy director said: "Google has already committed to purchase more renewable energy than any other company and now, through a series of new wind and solar projects around the world, we are on track to reach 100% clean energy for our global operations this year."

In December 2012, EDF RE and Google forged a relationship, with Google making an approximately \$200m equity investment in EDF RE's Spinning Spur Wind Project, located in Oldham County, Texas.

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Great Western Wind Energy, LLC Docket No. EC17-72-000

Bankers Commercial Corporation

ORDER AUTHORIZING DISPOSITION OF

JURISDICTIONAL FACILITIES

(Issued February 24, 2017)

On January 30, 2017, **Great Western** Wind Energy, LLC (**Great Western**) and

Bankers Commercial Corporation (Bankers Commercial) (collectively, Applicants) filed

an application pursuant to section 203(a)(1) of the Federal Power Act (FPA)¹ requesting

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authorization for a transaction whereby Bankers Commercial will sell approximately 23 percent of the Class A non-managing membership interests in **Great Western** to Firststar Development, LLC (Firststar) (Proposed Transaction). The jurisdictional facilities involved in the Proposed Transaction consist of **Great Western**'s market-based rate tariff and associated books, records, and accounts, as well as interconnection facilities. Although Applicant states that the Proposed Transaction may not require authorization under FPA section 203 (a)(1), Applicant nevertheless seeks prior authorization. This order authorizes the Proposed Transaction without making any determination of jurisdiction.²

Applicants state that **Great Western** owns and operate a 225 megawatt (MW) wind-powered electric generation facility (Facility) and related generation interconnection facilities located in Ellis and Woodward Counties, Oklahoma. The Facility is interconnected to the transmission system owned by Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company and operated by the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP). **Great Western** is an exempt wholesale generator (EWG) and has market-based rate authorization.³

Applicants represent that all of the output of the Facility is sold under a long-term power

1 16 U.S.C. § 824b (2012).

2 Ocean State Power, 47 FERC ¶61,321 (1989).

3 **Great Western** Wind Energy, LLC, Docket No. ER16-2360-000, unpublished letter order issued September 15, 2016. Notice of Effectiveness of Exempt Wholesale

Generator Status, **Great Western** Wind Energy, LLC, Docket No. EG16-111-000 (Sept. 9, 2016).

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purchase agreement. According to Applicants, the Class B managing membership

interests in **Great Western** are wholly owned by **Great Western** Holdco, LLC, which is owned 50 percent by EDF Renewable Asset Holdings, Inc. (EDF-RAH) and 50 percent by GW DSSA Holdco, LLC, which is an entity wholly owned by EDF-RAH. EDF-RAH

is wholly owned by **EDF Renewable Energy**, Inc. (**EDF Renewable Energy**). The Class

A non-managing membership interests in **Great Western** are owned equally by Allianz Renewable Energy Partners of America LLC (Allianz) and Bankers Commercial.

Applicants assert that **EDF Renewable Energy** is a holding company that is wholly owned by EDF Energies Nouvelles S.A., which in turn is wholly owned by Électricité de France, S.A. (EDF). EDF is owned approximately 84.44 percent by the French government, approximately 1.85 percent by current and former employees, and the remaining shares are owned by the public.

Applicants state that **EDF Renewable Energy** develops, builds, operates, and manages renewable energy projects throughout North America, but does not own or control a franchised utility in North America. In addition to the Facility owned and operated by **Great Western**, **EDF Renewable Energy** indirectly owns or controls approximately 711 MW of generation capacity in the SPP balancing authority area.

Applicants represent that all of **EDF Renewable Energy**'s indirect ownership interests in transmission are limited to limited and discrete generation interconnection facilities.

EDF Renewable Energy also owns two landfill gas production facilities and gas gathering lines in Pennsylvania and a biogas production facility in Colorado, but does not own or

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control any physical natural gas transportation, storage or distribution facilities, or own or control other physical inputs to electric generation or transmission.

According to Applicants, **EDF Renewable Energy** is affiliated with EDF Inc., which has a 49.99 percent interest in the Constellation Energy Nuclear Group, LLC that owns entities with market-based rate tariffs for the sale of the output of nuclear generating units in the New York Independent System Operator, Inc. and PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (PJM) markets. **EDF Renewable Energy** is also affiliated with EDF Trading North America, LLC, which operates as a power marketer with marketbased rate authorization. Additionally, **EDF Renewable Energy** is affiliated with EDF Energy Services, LLC and EDF Industrial Power Services, each of which has marketbased rate authority and is engaged in retail marketing activities,⁴ as well as Anahau Energy, LLC (Anahau), a power marketer with market-based rate authority.⁵

⁴ EDF Energy Services, LLC, Docket No. ER14-2672-000 (unpublished delegated letter order issued Sept. 23, 2014). EDF Industrial Power Services (CA), LLC, Docket No. ER12-1825-001 (unpublished delegated letter order issued July 20, 2012).

⁵ Anahau Energy, LLC, Docket No. ER13-415-000 (unpublished delegated letter order issued Jan. 3, 2013).

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Applicants state that Bankers Commercial, which owns 50 percent of the nonmanaging

Class A membership interests in **Great Western**, primarily invests in physical assets through the United States. Bankers Commercial is a corporation owned by MUFG Americas Holdings Corporation (MUAH). MUAH also owns MUFG Union Bank, N.A. (MUB), which provides financial services. Applicants state that the ultimate parent of

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Bankers Commercial, MUB, and MUAH is Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc., a publicly traded corporation organized under the laws of Japan. Applicants represent that, with the exception of passive, non-controlling ownership of beneficial interests in assets under lease financing arrangements, passive tax equity investments, and other limited circumstances, neither Bankers Commercial, MUB, MUAH, nor any of their respective subsidiaries directly or indirectly own or control any electric generation facilities in the SPP balancing authority or in the United States.⁶ Furthermore, neither Bankers Commercial, MUB, nor MUAH: (a) own or control any electric transmission facilities in the United States; (b) engage in wholesale sales of electric energy, or any other Commission jurisdictional transactions in the United States; (c) hold electric transmission rights or natural gas transportation rights in the United States; (d) directly or indirectly own or control a franchised utility; or (e) directly or indirectly own any physical natural gas transportation facilities or own or control other physical inputs to electric generation or transmission in the United States.

Applicants state that Allianz, which owns 50 percent of the non-managing Class A membership interests in Great Western, is an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Allianz SE, which is based in Germany and is the ultimate holding company of the Allianz group. The Allianz group is a multinational financial services provider. Although Allianz is not primarily engaged in energy-related business activities, Allianz owns passive, tax equity interests in certain entities that own renewable electric generation facilities in the United States. Specifically, Allianz owns passive interests in entities that control approximately 300 MW in the SPP footprint, 200 MW in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, and 184 MW in the PJM footprint. Applicants assert that such passive interests do not provide Allianz or its affiliates with any day-to-day control over the generation facilities. Aside from these interests, Applicants assert that Allianz

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SE, Allianz, nor any of their affiliates own, operate or control (i) any generation assets in the United States, (ii) any electric transmission or distribution facilities in the United States, (iii) any intrastate natural gas or oil transportation or distribution facilities in the United States or (iv) a traditional franchised public utility with captive customers in the United States.

6 Applicants indicate that, within the SPP balancing authority area, Bankers Commercial owns passive tax equity interests in energy projects totaling approximately 1,300 MW.

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Applicants state that Firststar will acquire approximately half of the non-managing

Class A membership interests in Great Western currently held by Bankers Commercial, resulting in ownership of approximately 23 percent of the Class A non-managing

membership interests in Great Western. Firststar primarily serves as U.S. Bancorp's (USB) tax equity investment arm for its renewable energy portfolio and owns passive, non-voting interests in qualifying facilities and EWGs throughout the United States.

USB, through its subsidiary, U.S. Bank National Association (U.S. Bank), operates a commercial bank in the United States. U.S. Bank also provides banking, brokerage, insurance, investment, mortgage, trust, and payment services products. Applicants assert that, other than through Firststar's passive tax equity investments in companies that engage in wholesale sales of electricity in the United States and that own various interests in renewable energy generating facilities, USB is not primarily engaged in energy-related business activities and does not directly or indirectly own or control any electric generating or transmission assets or generation output. In addition, neither Firststar nor

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any other of USB's affiliates directly or indirectly own or control any electric transmission (other than limited interconnection facilities) or interstate natural gas pipeline facilities, and USB does not control and is not affiliated with any entity that controls any essential inputs to generation in SPP, the relevant geographic market for the Proposed Transaction.

Applicants state that USB holds direct or indirect, passive, non-controlling economic interests in two entities that own and operate wind-powered electric generation facilities in the SPP BAA, totaling approximately 81 MW of generation capacity.

Applicants further state that such interests do not provide USB or its affiliates with any day-to-day control over these entities or their generating facilities.

Applicants state that, under the Proposed Transaction, Firststar will acquire from Bankers Commercial approximately 23 percent of the passive, non-managing Class A membership interests in **Great Western**, and EDF-RAH will continue to hold 100 percent of the managing Class B membership interests in **Great Western**.

Applicants state that the Proposed Transaction will not have an adverse effect on competition. With respect to horizontal competition, Applicants note that the interests being transferred are passive, non-managing interests in **Great Western** and therefore do not confer any management responsibilities or day-to-day control over **Great Western**.

Additionally, Applicants state that all of the output of the Facility will be sold under a long-term power purchase agreement. With regard to vertical competition, Applicants state that the Proposed Transaction does not involve any transmission facilities other than the limited interconnection equipment necessary to connect the facilities of **Great**

Western to the grid, or any inputs to electricity products or electric power production, and

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Firststar does not own or control any inputs to electricity products or electrical power production that raise any vertical market power concerns.

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Applicants state that the Proposed Transaction will not have an adverse effect on wholesale ratepayers. Applicants state that the all of Great Western's sales of electric energy will be made pursuant to market-based rate authorization.

Applicants state that the Proposed Transaction will not have an adverse effect on federal or state regulation. Applicants assert that the Proposed Transaction will not deprive the Commission or any other federal or state agency of jurisdiction it had prior to consummation of the Proposed Transaction, and the Commission will be able to exercise the same regulatory authority over the sale of electricity at wholesale that it did prior to the Proposed Transaction.

According to Applicants, the Proposed Transaction falls within one of the "safe harbors" established by the Commission for which detailed explanation and evidentiary support to demonstrate a lack of cross-subsidization is not required. Specifically, Applicants state that the Proposed Transaction falls within the "safe harbor" for transactions that do not involve a franchised public utility with captive customers.

In addition, Applicants verify that, based on facts and circumstances known to them or that are reasonably foreseeable, the Proposed Transaction will not result in, at the time of the Proposed Transaction or in the future, any cross-subsidization of a non-utility associate company or pledge or encumbrance of utility assets for the benefit of an associate company, including: (1) any transfers of facilities between a traditional public utility associate company that has captive customers or that owns or provides transmission service over jurisdictional transmission facilities, and an associate company;

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(2) any new issuances of securities by a traditional public utility associate company that has captive customers or that owns or provides transmission service over jurisdictional transmission facilities, for the benefit of an associate company; (3) any new pledge or encumbrance of assets of a traditional public utility associate company that has captive customers or that owns or provides transmission service over jurisdictional transmission facilities, for the benefit of an associate company; or (4) any new affiliate contracts between a non-utility associate company and a traditional public utility associate company that has captive customers or that owns or provides transmission service over jurisdictional transmission facilities, other than non-power goods and service agreements subject to review under sections 205 and 206 of the FPA.

The filing was noticed on January 30, 2017, with comments, protests, or interventions due on or before February 21, 2017. None were filed.

Information and/or systems connected to the bulk system involved in these transactions may be subject to reliability and cybersecurity standards approved by the Commission pursuant to FPA section 215. Compliance with these standards is mandatory and enforceable regardless of the physical location of the affiliates or investors, information database, and operating systems. If affiliates, personnel or

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investors are not authorized for access to such information and/or systems connected to the bulk power system, a public utility is obligated to take the appropriate measures to deny access to this information and/or the equipment/software connected to the bulk power system. The mechanisms that deny access to information, procedures, software, equipment, etc., must comply with all applicable reliability and cybersecurity standards.

The Commission, North America Electric Reliability Corporation or the relevant regional

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entity may audit compliance with reliability and cybersecurity standards.

When a controlling interest in a public utility is acquired by another company, whether a domestic company or a foreign company, the Commission's ability to adequately protect public utility customers against inappropriate cross-subsidization may be impaired absent access to the parent company's books and records. Section 301(c) of the FPA gives the Commission authority to examine the books and records of any person who controls, directly or indirectly, a jurisdictional public utility insofar as the books and records relate to transactions with or the business of such public utility. The approval of the Proposed Transaction is based on such examination ability.

Order No. 652 requires that sellers with market-based rate authority timely report to the Commission any change in status that would reflect a departure from the characteristics the Commission relied upon in granting market-based rate authority.⁷ To the extent that a transaction authorized under FPA section 203 results in a change in status, sellers that have market-based rates are advised that they must comply with the requirements of Order No. 652.

After consideration, it is concluded that the Proposed Transaction is consistent with the public interest and is authorized, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The Proposed Transaction is authorized upon the terms and conditions and for the purposes set forth in the application;
- (2) Applicants must inform the Commission of any material change in circumstances that departs from the facts or representations that the Commission relied upon in authorizing the Proposed Transaction within 30 days from the date of the material change in circumstances;
- (3) The foregoing authorization is without prejudice to the authority of the Commission or any other regulatory body with respect to rates, service,

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accounts, valuation, estimates or determinations of costs, or any other

matter whatsoever now pending or which may come before the

7 Reporting Requirement for Changes in Status for Public Utilities with Market-

Based Rate Authority, Order No. 652, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,175, order on reh'g, 111

FERC ¶ 61,413 (2005).

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Commission;

(4) Nothing in this order shall be construed to imply acquiescence in any estimate or determination of cost or any valuation of property claimed or asserted;

(5) If the Proposed Transaction results in changes in the status or upstream ownership of Applicants' affiliated qualifying facilities, an appropriate filing for recertification pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 292.207 (2016) shall be made;

(6) The Commission retains authority under sections 203(b) and 309 of the FPA to issue supplemental orders as appropriate;

(7) Applicants shall make any appropriate filings under section 205 of the FPA, as necessary, to implement the Proposed Transaction; and

(8) Applicants shall notify the Commission within 10 days of the date that the disposition of jurisdictional facilities has been consummated.

This action is taken pursuant to the authority delegated to the Director, Division of Electric Power Regulation - West, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307 (2016). This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713

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Jan 13, 2017(socalTECH.com: <http://www.socaltech.com> Delivered by Newstex) San Diego-based renewable energy developer **EDF Renewable Energy**[1] says that it recently put a 225 megawatt, wind farm--which is supplying electricity to Google--into operation. **EDF Renewable Energy** said the **Great Western** Wind Project, which is based near Woodward and Ellis counties in Oklahoma, went into commercial operations on December 21st. All of the power at that plant is going to Google, under a long term Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for the output of the wind farm. **EDF Renewable Energy** said the wind turbines at the location generate enough electricity to power 70,000 average Oklahoma homes. Google's use of the wind farm is part of the Internet giant's renewable energy efforts, and was originally announced in Paris at the 21st Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21). EDF RE said that Google is now the largest corporate buyer of renewable power in the world, with 2.6 gigawatts worth of renewable energy long-term contracts. READ MORE>>[2] [1]:

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