UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Wy'East Solar, LLC)	Docket No. EG18	000
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NOTICE OF SELF-CERTIFICATION OF EXEMPT WHOLESALE GENERATOR STATUS

Pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005 ("PUHCA 2005"), enacted as part of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, and Section 366.7 of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC" or the "Commission"), Wy'East Solar, LLC ("Applicant") hereby submits this Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator ("EWG") Status based on its development, ownership, and expected operation of an approximately 10 MW photovoltaic generating facility located in Sherman County, Oregon.

I. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

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II. DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT

Applicant expects to own and operate a ten (10) MW photovoltaic solar generating facility ("Generating Facility"). Applicant also owns certain transmission facilities ("Interconnection Facilities") necessary to interconnect the Facility to the 34.5 kV side of the #2

EPAct 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, 1261-80, 119 Stat. 594 (2005).

² 18 C.F.R. § 366.7 (2016).

Transformer in the Klondike Substation, which is the Generating Facility's point of interconnection with the transmission system owned by the Bonneville Power Administration ("BPA").

The output of the Generating Facility is fully committed under a standard renewable offsystem variable power purchase agreement with Portland General Electric ("PGE"), with a termination date of December 30, 2033.

III. SELF CERTIFICATION OF EWG STATUS

The Commission's regulations require that an EWG be engaged directly, or indirectly through one or more affiliates, and exclusively in the business of owning and/or operating one or more eligible facilities and selling electric energy at wholesale.³ Consistent with the Commission's regulations, Applicant makes the following representations to certify that it will satisfy the requirements for EWG status:

- 1. Applicant will be engaged directly and exclusively in the business of owning or operating, or both owning and operating, all or part of one or more "eligible facilities" and selling electric energy at wholesale, and the Facility will satisfy the definition of an "eligible facility" under Section 32(a)(2) of PUHCA 1935 because it will be used for the generation of electric energy exclusively for sale at wholesale.⁴
- 2. Applicant will not own any transmission facilities other than those interconnection facilities that are necessary to effect the wholesale sale of electric energy from the Facility, consistent with Commission precedent construing the definition of "eligible facility" under Section 32(a)(2) of PUHCA 1935.

³ See 18 C.F.R. §§ 366.7 and 366.1. Section 366.1 incorporates Sections 32(a)(2) through (4), and Sections 32(b) through (d) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, 15 U.S.C. §§ 79z-5a(a)(2)-(4), 79z-5a(b)-(d) ("PUHCA 1935"), for the purposes of establishing or determining whether an entity qualifies for EWG status.

[[]Applicant may be engaged in the sale of ancillary services as a by-product that is incidental to the wholesale electric energy sales from the Facility, as permitted by the Commission in *Sithe Framingham*, *LLC*, 83 FERC ¶ 61,106 (1998). In addition, Applicant may be engaged in the sale of renewable energy credits ("RECs") associated with the electricity produced by the Facility. The Commission has determined that the sale of RECs associated with an eligible facility is an activity incidental to an EWG's business of owning and operating an eligible facility and selling electricity at wholesale. *See Madison Windpower*, *LLC*, 93 FERC ¶ 61,270 (2000).]

- 3. No rate or charge for, or in connection with, the construction of the Facility, or for electric energy produced thereby, was in effect under the laws of any State on October 24, 1992 and, therefore, no State determination is required with respect to this filing.
- 4. There are no lease arrangements through which Applicant will lease the Facility to a public utility company or any other party.
- 5. Applicant does not sell electricity at retail to any customer. Accordingly, the Facility does not rely on the exception provided by Section 32(b) of PUHCA 1935 regarding foreign sales of power at retail.
- 6. No portion of the Facility will be owned or operated by an "electric utility company" that is an "affiliate" or "associate company" of Applicant as those terms are defined in PUHCA 2005.

In accordance with Section 366.7(a) of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this Notice is concurrently being served upon the Oregon Public Utility Commission. A form of notice of Applicant's notice of self-certification suitable for publication in the *Federal Register* is also attached.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission accept this Notice of Self-Certification of EWG Status.

Respectfully submitted,

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