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OFFICE OF ENERGY MARKET REGULATION

DesertLink, LLC Docket No. ER19-2531-000

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Reference: Revisions to Tariff Formula Rate Template and Protocols

On August 5, 2019, DesertLink, LLC (DesertLink) filed proposed revisions to the formula rate template and associated protocols in its transmission owner tariff (tariff) to: (1) clarify in the formula rate protocols the allocation of responsibilities between the California Independent System Operator Corporation and DesertLink, and remove language that would limit the scope of certain future Section 205 filings; (2) clarify in the formula rate template how DesertLink will depreciate Contributions in Aid of Construction for transmission facilities; and (3) correct certain errors in the formula rate template. DesertLink states that the proposed revisions to its formula rate template and protocols are only intended to address minor and discrete issues that it identified and would not change rate provisions. Waiver of the Commission's notice requirements pursuant to section 35.11 of the Commission's regulations (18 C.F.R. § 35.11) is granted,¹ and the formula rate template and formula rate protocol revisions are accepted for filing, effective October 1, 2019, as requested.²

This filing was noticed on August 5, 2019, with comments, protests, or motions to intervene due on or before August 26, 2019. No protests or adverse comments were

¹ Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, et al., 60 FERC ¶ 61,106, reh'g denied, 61 FERC ¶ 61,089 (1992).

² DesertLink, LLC, FERC FPA Electric Tariff, <u>Transmission Rates</u>, <u>Tariff No. 1</u>, <u>Transmission Owner Tariff</u>, 2.0.0, <u>Appendix III</u>, <u>Template</u>, 7.0.0, <u>Appendix IV</u>, <u>Protocols</u>, 6.0.0.

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filed. Notices of intervention and unopposed timely filed motions to intervene are granted pursuant to the operation of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.214). Any opposed or untimely filed motion to intervene is governed by the provisions of Rule 214.

This action does not constitute approval of any service, rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, contract, or practice affecting such rate or service provided for in the filed documents; nor shall such action be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation affecting or relating to such service or rate; and such action is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against DesertLink.

This action is taken pursuant to authority delegated to the Director, Division of Electric Power Regulation - West, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307. 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.

Issued by: Steven T. Wellner, Director, Division of Electric Power Regulation – West

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