DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-365-B]

Application to Export Electric Energy; Centre Lane Trading Limited

AGENCY: Office of Electricity, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Centre Lane Trading Limited (Applicant or CLT) has applied to renew its authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

DATES: Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed to: Office of Electricity, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be transmitted by overnight mail, by electronic mail to Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov, or by facsimile to (202) 586-8008.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Energy (DOE) regulates exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country, pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b) and 7172(f)). Such exports require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On June 29, 2015, DOE issued Order EA-365-A, which authorized CLT to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term using
existing international transmission facilities appropriate for open access. The authorization expires on June 9, 2020. On March 5, 2020, CLT filed an application (Application or App.) with DOE for renewal of the export authorization contained in Order No. EA-365-B. CLT states that it “is a private company organized under the Business Corporations Act (Ontario, Canada) with its principal place of business in Toronto, Ontario Canada” and is “wholly owned by Mackie Research Financial Corporation” App. at 2. The Applicant further states that it “will purchase the power to be exported from electric utilities and federal power marketing agencies pursuant to voluntary agreements.” Id. CLT contends that its proposed exports “will not impede the coordinated use of transmission facilities within the meaning of [section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act],” and that its exports of electricity “will not impede or tend to impede the regional coordination of electric utility planning or operations.” Id. at 3. The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have previously been authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the Application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Two (2) copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.
Comments and other filings concerning CLT’s application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-365-B. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Jason Brandt, Centre Lane Trading Limited, 199 Bay Street, Suite 4500, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5L 1G2.

A final decision will be made on this Application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE’s National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after DOE determines that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this Application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program website at http://energy.gov/node/11845, or by emailing Matthew Aronoff at matthew.aronoff@hq.doe.gov.


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