

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

RE Garland A LLC

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Docket No. EG15- -000

**RE GARLAND A LLC
NOTICE OF SELF-CERTIFICATION OF
EXEMPT WHOLESALE GENERATOR STATUS**

Pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005 (“PUHCA 2005”)¹ and Section 366.7 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (“Commission”) regulations², RE Garland A LLC (“Garland A”) hereby submits this Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator (“EWG”) Status (“Notice”) with respect to its ownership and operation of a 20 MW phase of an approximately 200 MW solar photovoltaic generation facility and related assets located in Kern County, California (“Facility”), which is within the California Independent System Operator Corporation (“CAISO”) balancing authority area.

I. COMMUNICATIONS

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¹ Pub. L. No. 109-58, §§ 1261-1277, 119 Stat. 594, 972-78 (2005).

² 18 C.F.R. § 366.7

official service list in this proceeding. Garland A requests waiver of Rule 203(b)(3)³ so that a copy of any communications in the proceeding referenced above may be served on all persons listed above.

II. DESCRIPTION OF GARLAND A

Garland A is a Delaware limited liability company that owns and operates the Facility. Garland A anticipates that the Facility will commence commercial operation by December 1, 2016. The Facility will be interconnected to the transmission system owned by the Southern California Edison Company (“SCE”) and will interconnect to the CAISO controlled grid. Commencing December 1, 2016, all of the output from the Facility will be sold exclusively at wholesale pursuant to a 20-year power purchase agreement with SCE.

Garland A is wholly owned by RE Garland A LLC, whose membership interests are, in turn, wholly owned by RE Garland Holdings LLC, whose membership interests are, in turn, wholly owned by RE Mojave Holdings LLC, whose membership interests are, in turn, wholly owned by Recurrent Energy Development Holdings, LLC, whose membership interests are, in turn, wholly owned by Recurrent Energy, LLC (“Recurrent”), whose membership interests are, in turn, wholly owned by Canadian Solar Energy Acquisition Co., all of which are Delaware limited liability companies, whose membership interests are, in turn, wholly owned by Canadian Solar, Inc., which is registered in Ontario, Canada. Recurrent’s principal place of business is in San Francisco, California.

III. REPRESENTATIONS

Pursuant to Sections 366.1 and 366.7 of the Commission’s regulations,⁴ Garland A represents that it satisfies the requirements for EWG status, as follows:

³ 18 C.F.R. § 385.203(b)(3) (2013).

⁴ 18 C.F.R. §§ 366.1, 366.7.

1. Garland A is a Delaware limited liability company that will own and operate the Facility.
2. Garland A engages exclusively in the business of owning and operating the Facility and selling electric energy at wholesale.
3. Garland A will not make foreign retail sales of electric energy from the Facility.
4. The Facility is an eligible facility as defined in Section 32(a)(2) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, which is incorporated by reference in Section 1262(6) of PUHCA 2005,⁵ and Section 366.1 of the Commission’s regulations.⁶
5. The electricity produced by the Facility will be sold exclusively at wholesale.
6. The Facility consists of a 20 MW phase of an approximately 200 MW solar photovoltaic generating facility, and will use a substation, switchyard, and other equipment necessary to interconnect the Facility to the transmission grid.
7. The interconnection facilities that are associated with the Facility serve only to connect the project to SCE’s transmission system for purposes of delivering energy and capacity to the CAISO controlled grid. Those facilities, therefore, qualify as “interconnecting transmission facilities necessary to effect a sale of electric energy at wholesale” and are included as part of Garland A’s eligible facility.⁷

⁵ 42 U.S.C. § 16451(6) (2006).

⁶ 18 C.F.R. § 366.1

⁷ 15 U.S.C. § 79z-5a(a)(2) (repealed).

8. No portion of the Facility is owned or operated by an electric utility company that is an affiliate or an associate company of Garland A (other than an electric utility company that is an EWG),⁸ as those terms are defined in Section 366.1 of the Commission's regulations.

9. No rate or charge for, or in connection with, the construction of the Facility, or for the electric energy produced by the Facility, was in effect under the laws of any state on October 24, 1992. As such, no determination or certification by any state commission is necessary prior to certification of Garland A as an EWG.

10. Concurrently with the filing of this Notice with the Commission, Garland A is submitting a copy of this Notice to the California Public Utilities Commission, which is the state regulatory authority of the state in which the Facility will be located.

IV. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing facts and representations, Garland A requests that the Commission accept this notice of self-certification and grant Garland A status as an EWG.

Respectfully submitted,

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⁸ The Commission has determined that partial ownership of interconnection facilities by multiple EWGs does not affect their respective EWG status. *See, e.g., Buffalo Gap Wind Farm 2, LLC*, 118 FERC ¶ 61,069 (2007); *Sagebrush, et al.*, 103 FERC ¶ 61,332 (2003).