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 (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
 (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and
 (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: April 6, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC18-12-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-566); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection, FERC-566 (Annual Report of a Utility's 20 Largest Purchasers).

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due June 11, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC18-12-000) by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Website:*

<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:*

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

Docket: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC-566 (Annual Report of a Utility's 20 Largest Purchasers).

OMB Control No.: 1902-0114.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC-566 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Federal Power Act (FPA), as amended by the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), mandates federal oversight and approval of certain electric corporate activities to ensure that neither public nor private interests are adversely affected. Accordingly, the FPA proscribes related information filing requirements to achieve this goal. Such filing requirements are found in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), specifically in 18 CFR 131.31, and serve as the basis for the FERC-566.

FERC-566 implements FPA requirements that each public utility annually publish a list of the 20 purchasers which purchased the largest annual amounts of electric energy sold by such public utility during any of the three previous calendar years. The public disclosure of this information provides the information necessary to determine whether an interlocked position is with any of the 20 largest purchasers of electric energy. Similar to the Form 561,¹ the FPA identifies who must file the FERC-566 report and sets the filing deadline.

Type of Respondents: Public utility.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*² The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collection as:

FERC-566 (ANNUAL REPORT OF A UTILITY'S 20 LARGEST PURCHASERS)

| | Number of respondents (1) | Annual number of responses per respondent (2) | Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3) | Average burden & cost per response ³ (4) | Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (3) * (4) = (5) | Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1) |
|----------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| FERC-566 | 300 | 1 | 300 | 4 hrs.; \$306 | 1,200 hrs.; \$91,800 .. | \$306 |

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⁵ The estimates for cost per response are derived using the following formula: Average Burden Hours per Response * \$76.50 per Hour = Average Cost per Response. The figure comes from the 2017 FERC average hourly cost (for wages and benefits) of \$76.50 (and an average annual salary of \$158,754). Commission staff is using the FERC average salary because we consider any reporting completed in response to the FERC-585 to be compensated at rates similar to the work of FERC employees.

¹ FERC Form No. 561 (Annual Report of Interlocking Directorates), OMB Control No. 1902-0099.

² "Burden" is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RA16-1-000]

Tektronix, Inc.; Notice of Termination of Proceeding

On May 20, 2016, Tektronix, Inc. (Tektronix) filed a Petition for Review of Denial of Adjustment Request, Request for Hearing, and Request for Confidential Treatment (Petition) under Subpart J of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.¹ Tektronix's Petition alleged that the Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) improperly denied applications for various forms of relief from DOE energy conservation standards applicable to external power supplies.

On January 19, 2018, the Administrative Law Judge designated to serve as the presiding officer, Judge David H. Coffman, issued a Report to the Commission and reported that on January 16, 2018, Tektronix and DOE filed a Joint Notice of Satisfaction representing that OHA vacated its orders denying Tektronix's applications for relief. Accordingly, consistent with the Proposed Settlement filed on November 20, 2017, the Judge deemed the Petition and Tektronix's applications to OHA to be withdrawn.

Take notice that the proceeding in Docket No. RA16-1-000 is, as a consequence, deemed terminated.

Dated: April 6, 2018.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14873-000]

Nushagak Cooperative, Inc.; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On March 22, 2018, Nushagak Cooperative, Inc. filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Nuyakuk River Hydroelectric Project (Nuyakuk River Project or project) to be located on the Nuyakuk River, near Dillingham, Alaska. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission. The project would utilize approximately 218 acres of land owned by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

The proposed project would consist of the following new facilities: (1) A 100-foot-long, 20-foot-high intake structure; (2) a 1,200-foot-long, 50-foot-wide by 15-foot-tall concrete-lined power conduit; (3) a 100-foot-wide by 100-foot-long powerhouse forebay with a surface area of 0.23 acres; (4) a 100-foot-wide by 60-foot-long concrete powerhouse containing two 5 megawatt (MW) bulb-type turbines for a total installed capacity of 10 MW; (5) a 100-foot-wide, 500-foot-long tailrace discharging to the Nuyakuk River; (6) a project substation; (7) a 135-mile-long, 25 kilovolt transmission line extending from the substation to the communities of Aleknagik, Koliganek, Stuyahok, Ekwok, and Levelock; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the Nuyakuk River Project would be 72.8 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Bobby Armstrong, Nushagak Cooperative, Inc., P.O. Box 530, Dillingham, AK 99576; phone: (907) 842-5251.

FERC Contact: Julia Kolberg, phone: (202) 502-8261 or email: Julia.kolberg@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 Days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of

intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-14873-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14873) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EL18-126-000; EL18-127-000; EL18-128-000; EL18-129-000; EL18-130-000]

Ontelaunee Power Operating Company, LLC; Liberty Electric Power, LLC; Dynegy Hanging Rock II, LLC; Dynegy Washington II, LLC; Dynegy Fayette II, LLC; Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

On April 5, 2018, the Commission issued an order in Docket Nos. EL18-126-000, EL18-127-000, EL18-128-000, EL18-129-000, and EL18-130-000, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e (2012), instituting an investigation into whether Ontelaunee Power Operating Company, LLC, Liberty Electric Power, LLC, Dynegy Hanging Rock II, LLC, Dynegy Washington II, LLC, and Dynegy Fayette II, LLC's reactive power rates may be unjust and unreasonable. *Ontelaunee*

¹ 18 CFR 385.1004 and 385.1006 (2017).