previously entered and that is currently in FAPIIS.

Please note that, if the total value of your currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from the Federal Government exceeds \$10,000,000, the reporting requirements in 2 CFR part 200, Appendix XII, require you to report certain integrity information to FAPIIS semiannually. Please review the requirements in 2 CFR part 200, Appendix XII, if this grant plus all the other Federal funds you receive exceed \$10,000,000.

## VI. Award Administration Information

1. Award Notices: If your application is successful, we will notify your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators and send you a Grant Award Notification (GAN); or we may send you an email containing a link to access an electronic version of your GAN. We may notify you informally, also.

If your application is not evaluated or not selected for funding, we will notify

2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements: We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the Applicable Regulations section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grant.

- 3. Open Licensing Requirements: Unless an exception applies, if you are awarded a grant under this competition, you will be required to openly license to the public grant deliverables created in whole, or in part, with Department grant funds. When the deliverable consists of modifications to pre-existing works, the license extends only to those modifications that can be separately identified and only to the extent that open licensing is permitted under the terms of any licenses or other legal restrictions on the use of pre-existing works. Additionally, a grantee or subgrantee that is awarded competitive grant funds must have a plan to disseminate these public grant deliverables. This dissemination plan can be developed and submitted after your application has been reviewed and selected for funding. For additional information on the open licensing requirements please refer to 2 CFR 3474.20.
- 4. Reporting: (a) If you apply for a grant under this competition, you must

ensure that you have in place the necessary processes and systems to comply with the reporting requirements in 2 CFR part 170 should you receive funding under the competition. This does not apply if you have an exception under 2 CFR 170.110(b).

(b) At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. If you receive a multiyear award, you must submit an annual performance report that provides the most current performance and financial expenditure information as directed by the Secretary under 34 CFR 75.118. The Secretary may also require more frequent performance reports under 34 CFR 75.720(c). For specific requirements on reporting, please go to www.ed.gov/ fund/grant/apply/appforms/ appforms.html.

5. Performance Measures: The Department will use the following performance measures in assessing the successful performance of the Open Textbooks Pilot program grants:

a. The number of students who enrolled in courses that use open textbooks developed through the grant;

b. The number of students who completed courses which used the open textbooks developed through the grant;

- c. Student and faculty evaluations of the quality of the open textbooks compared with other kinds of textbooks they have used, the ease of use of these materials and the cost savings associated with the use of open textbooks;
- d. The average cost savings per student:
- e. The total cost savings for students who used open textbooks compared to students in the same course of study who used traditional textbooks;
- f. The number and percentage of courses among consortium members that adopted the use of open textbooks, where appropriate, as opposed to those that continued to use paper or electronic textbooks; and
- g. The number of institutions outside of the consortium that adopted the use of the open textbooks produced through the grant.

# VII. Other Information

Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc) on request to the program contact person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

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the document published in the Federal Register. You may access the official edition of the Federal Register and the Code of Federal Regulations via the Federal Digital System at: www.gpo.gov/fdsys. At this site you can view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the Federal Register, in text or Portable Document Format (PDF). To use PDF you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at the site.

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Dated: July 24, 2018.

#### Diane Auer Iones.

Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Delegated to Perform the Duties of Under Secretary and Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# **Energy Information Administration**

# Agency Information Collection Extension

**AGENCY:** U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EIA has submitted an information collection request as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection requests a three-year extension with changes to Form EIA-846, "Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey" (MECS), OMB Control Number 1905-0169. Form EIA-846 collects data from the U.S. manufacturing sector on energy consumption, expenditures, shipments of energy offsite, end use consumption, building characteristics, participation in energy management programs, technologies, and fuel switching capacity.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before August 29, 2018. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the DOE Desk Officer at OMB of your intention to make a submission as

soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395–4718.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the DOE Desk Officer: Brandon Debruhl, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503. Email: Brandon\_F\_DeBruhl@omb.eop.gov; and to Tom Lorenz, Office of Energy Consumption and Efficiency Statistics, Forrestal Building, EI–22, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585 or by fax at (202) 586–9753, or by email at Thomas.Lorenz@eia.gov.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Tom Lorenz at the contact information given above or by email at *Thomas.Lorenz@eia.gov*. Form EIA–846 and its instructions are available on the internet at <a href="https://www.eia.gov/survey/form/eia\_846/proposed/2018/form.pdf">https://www.eia.gov/survey/form/eia\_846/proposed/2018/form.pdf</a>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This information collection request contains:

- (1) OMB No. 1905-0169;
- (2) Information Collection Request Title: Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey;
- (3) *Type of Request:* Three-year extension with changes;
- (4) Purpose: Form EIA-846 is a selfadministered sample survey designed to collect energy consumption and expenditures data from establishments in the manufacturing sector; i.e., North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes 31-33. The previous MECS required respondents to complete multiple collection forms depending on an establishment's primary business activity classification under NAICS. The increased use of technology by means of an internet data collection system has allowed the MECS to eliminate the need to have multiple forms;

(4a) Changes to Information Collection:

• Questions about Tire-Derived Fuel: EIA will collect data about tire-derived fuel (TDF) in the Waste Oils and Tars, and Waste Byproduct Gases section of the questionnaire starting on page 35 of Form EIA–846A. The new questions will be inserted after questions 138–139, specifically from those industries, Paper (NAICS 322) and Nonmetallic Mineral Products (NAICS 327) that use TDF as an energy source. EIA currently asks respondents to report TDF on the MECS in a section titled, "Other." The change to report TDF as a separate category will reduce respondent uncertainty

regarding where to report this information. The questions on TDF are the same questions that have previously been asked about this energy source: Purchases; expenditures; transfers-in; amount produced on-site; whether it's a product/byproduct of another energy source consumed on-site; and fuel consumption. Over the past three MECS cycles, TDF has become a growing energy source within the "Other" section and accounts for over half of the energy consumed that is reported in that section. Previous data collection cycles may have undercounted the use of TDF because some establishments did not know where to report their TDF volumes. By directly asking for these data as a separate data element, EIA will improve the coverage and accuracy of the use of this energy source.

 Question 16 about electric generation with less than one-megawatt nameplate capacity was added. EIA will collect data about small-scale (less than one megawatt) distributed electricity generation occurring at U.S. manufacturing establishments. EIA will add a Yes/No question about distributed generation to the electricity section of the MECS to monitor manufacturing establishments that use non-renewable distributed generation. Distributed generation is a subset of "distributed energy resources" which are modular, moderately sized generation sources that are used to produce electricity, or combined heat and power (CHP), near the site of end use. EIA expects that generation from non-renewable, smallscale distributed generation (e.g., micro turbines, fuel cells, natural gas generator sets, and diesel generator sets below one megawatt) will increase in the future. This increase in non-renewable, smallscale distributed generation is expected to continue because of a variety of factors, including increased demand for reliable and resilient power, deployment mandates (e.g., renewable portfolio standards), improved technology and decreased cost of distributed generation, low natural gas prices, and high retail electricity rates.

(5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 15,000;

(6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 3,750;

(7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 34,565;

(8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: The cost of the burden hours is estimated to be \$2,616,225 (34,565 burden hours times \$75.69 per hour). EIA estimates that there are no additional costs to respondents associated with the surveys other than the costs associated with the burden hours.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Pub. L. 93–275, codified as 15 U.S.C. 772(b) and the DOE Organization Act of 1977, Pub. L. 95–91, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.* 

Issued in Washington, DC, on July 17, 2018.

### Nanda Srinivasan,

Director, Office of Survey Development and Statistical Integration, U.S. Energy Information Administration.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL18-186-000]

# PATH Allegheny Transmission Company, LLC; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on July 23, 2018, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Federal

Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207 (2017), PATH Allegheny Transmission Company, LLC and its subsidiaries, PATH Allegheny Virginia Transmission Corporation (PATH–VA) and PATH Allegheny Maryland Transmission Corporation (PATH-MD), (together, PATH AYE) filed a petition requesting the Commission issue a declaratory order determining that PATH AYE's distribution of paid-in capital to its ultimate parent company—FirstEnergy Corp., will not violate section 305(a) of the Federal Power Act,<sup>1</sup> as more fully explained in the petition.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Petitioner.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies

<sup>1 16</sup> U.S.C. 825d(a) (2012).