

collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: This survey covers outreach under the Office of Public Participation, Office of External Affairs.¹ FERC collects voluntarily-provided information on individual or stakeholder interests to engage with them by providing, to the extent possible, targeted information consistent with their expressed interest. FERC also

collects contact information to keep email distributions to be used to inform interested individuals of technical conferences, workshops, user group meetings, certain proceedings or of press releases or newsletters.

This information collection is used to conduct customer engagement activities. Customer engagement is critical to further the Commission’s goal of facilitating the public’s understanding

of FERC’s work and encouraging their participation in FERC matters. This data allows FERC to understand which areas of its work are of greater interest to the public and where additional public outreach and educational materials or other resources are needed the most.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*² The following tables set forth the estimated annual burden and cost³ for the information collections:

Subscriber type	Number of respondents (1)	Annual number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden hours & cost (\$) per response (4)	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (\$) (3) * (4) = (5)	Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1)
Customer Engagement	2,000	1	2,000	0.083 hrs.; \$8.47	166 hrs.; \$16,940	\$8.47
OPP	20	1	20	0.13 hrs.; \$13.26	2.6 hrs.; \$265.20	13.26
			220		168.6 hrs.; \$17,205.20	

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s estimates of the burden and cost of the collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 8606–010]

Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P.; Notice of Waiver of Water Quality Certification

On October 31, 2023, Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P. filed an application for an amendment of license exemption (non-capacity) for the Schuylerville

Hydroelectric Project (project) in the above captioned docket. On February 10, 2025, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (New York DEC) received a request for a Clean Water Act section 401(a)(1) water quality certification from Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P., in conjunction with the above captioned project.

On August 11, 2025, staff provided New York DEC with written notice that the applicable reasonable period of time for it to act on the certification request was one (1) year from the date of receipt of the request, after which the certification requirement would be waived if the certifying authority failed to act by February 10, 2026. Because New York DEC did not act by February 10, 2026, we are notifying you pursuant to section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1341(a)(1), that waiver of the certification requirement has occurred.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CX26–1–000]

Order Adopting Categorical Exclusions From Tennessee Valley Authority Under the National Environmental Policy Act; Notice of Adoption of Categorical Exclusions Under the National Environmental Policy Act

On February 19, 2026, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. CX26–1–000, pursuant to section 109 of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4336c, adopting five categorical exclusions from the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) relating to electric transmission infrastructure, above ground buildings, infrastructure systems, plant equipment, and facility grounds associated with power generation facilities. *Order Adopting Categorical Exclusions from TVA under NEPA*, 194 FERC ¶ 61,128 (2026). The adopted categorical exclusions will be used for actions concerning water power projects.

The adoption becomes effective 31 days after the issuance date of the Commission’s order, *i.e.*, on March 22, 2026.

The Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of its order via the internet through the Commission’s Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the “eLibrary” link.

¹ FERC–1002 covers two areas of outreach for customer engagement from the Office of Public Participation: Subscribe for Updates From the Office of Public Participation | Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (ferc.gov); FERC Insight Newsletter | Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

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, see 5 CFR 1320.3.

³ Commission staff estimates that industry is similarly situated in terms of hourly cost (for wages plus benefits). Based on the Commission’s FY (Fiscal Year) 2026 average cost (for wages plus benefits), \$102/hour is used.

Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. From FERC's Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field. User assistance is available for eLibrary and the FERC's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at 202-502-6652 (toll free at 1-866-208-3676) or email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502-8371, TTY (202) 502-8659. Email the Public Reference Room at public.reference.room@ferc.gov.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2629-014]

Village of Morrisville, Vermont; Notice of Settlement Agreement and Soliciting Comments

Take notice that the following settlement agreement has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* Settlement Agreement.

b. *Project No.:* 2629-014.

c. *Date Filed:* February 13, 2026.

d. *Applicant:* Village of Morrisville, Vermont (Village).

e. *Name of Project:* Morrisville Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Green River, Elmore Pond Brook, and Lamoille River in Lamoille County, Vermont.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Rule 602 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.602.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Scott Johnstone, Village Manager, 857 Elmore Street, Morrisville, Vermont 05661; telephone at (802) 888-6289; email at sjohnstone@mwlvt.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Nicholas Ettema, Project Coordinator, Great Lakes Branch, Division of Hydropower Licensing; telephone at (312) 596-4447; email at nicholas.ettema@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments:* March 23, 2026, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Reply comments due: April 6, 2026, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/>

[FERCOnline.aspx](https://ferconline.ferc.gov/ferconline.aspx). Commenters can submit brief comments up to 10,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>.

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, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Morrisville Hydroelectric Project (P-2629-014).

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. The Village filed a Settlement Agreement for the project's relicensing proceeding, on behalf of itself, the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, the Vermont Natural Resources Council, American Whitewater, and the Vermont Council of Trout Unlimited. The purpose of the Settlement Agreement is to resolve, between the signatories, relicensing issues related to the Village's compliance with the State of Vermont's August 9, 2016 water quality certification for the project and whitewater flow releases from the project's Green River Development. The Village, on behalf of the signatories, requests that any new license issued by the Commission contain conditions

consistent with the provisions of the Settlement Agreement.

l. A copy of the Settlement Agreement is available for review on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field, to access the document (*i.e.*, P-2629). For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY (202) 502-8659.

You may also register online at <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

m. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC26-3-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-574) 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, FERC-574 (Gas Pipeline Certificates: Hinshaw Exemption), which will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. There are no proposed changes to the reporting requirements.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due March 26, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC-574 to OMB through https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/ICRPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202601-1902-002. You can also visit <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> and use the drop-down under "Currently under Review" to select the