

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP26–136–000]

Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline LLC; Notice of Schedule for the Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for the Texas Access Project

On March 6, 2026, Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline LLC (KMLP) filed an application in Docket No. CP26–136–000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the Texas Access Project (Project) and would enable KMLP to transport up to 1,300,000 dekatherms per day (Dth/d) of natural gas from new Texas interconnections for delivery to various points on the KMLP system.

On March 19, 2026, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's environmental document for the Project.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) for the Project and the planned schedule for the completion of the environmental review.¹ The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—September 18, 2026
90-day Federal Authorization Decision
Deadline²—December 17, 2026

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

¹ For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EA–019–20–000–1775471548.

² The Commission's deadline applies to the decisions of other federal agencies, and state agencies acting under federally delegated authority, that are responsible for federal authorizations, permits, and other approvals necessary for proposed projects under the Natural Gas Act. Per 18 CFR 157.22(a), the Commission's deadline for other agency's decisions applies unless a schedule is otherwise established by federal law.

Project Description

The project includes a 3.05-mile-long, 48-inch-diameter mainline extension in Jefferson County, Texas, and Cameron Parish, Louisiana (Mainline Extension), along with two aboveground pig launcher/receiver facilities. Additionally, the project involves 540 feet of 42-inch-diameter pipeline connecting the Trident Intrastate Pipeline to the Mainline Extension, 70 feet of 42-inch-diameter pipeline connecting the Texas Header to the Mainline Extension, and 250 feet of 42- and 36-inch-diameter pipeline connecting the Mainline Extension to KMLP's existing Leg 1 and Leg 2 pipelines. Furthermore, KMLP plans to modify existing regulator and metering facilities at the Sabine Pass Metering Facility and establish a new interconnection and gas measurement building at Louisiana LNG Gas Management, LLC's Woodside LNG Terminal in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

Background

On April 17, 2026, the Commission issued a *Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed Texas Access Project* (Notice of Scoping). The Notice of Scoping was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the Notice of Scoping, the Commission received comments from Our Children's Trust, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)—Region 6 and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ). Our Children's Trust commented on health concerns with air pollution and climate change. The USEPA and LDEQ recommended that the EA address water quality, biological resources, habitat and wildlife, wetland resources and ground water, air quality, hazardous materials and waste, cultural resources, and tribal consultation. All substantive comments will be addressed in the EA.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This service provides automatic notification of filings made to subscribed dockets, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview> to register for eSubscription.

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.

Additional information about the Project is available from the FERC website (www.ferc.gov). Using the “eLibrary” link, select “General Search” from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and “Docket Number” excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP26–136), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208–3676, TTY (202) 502–8659, or at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

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Carlos D. Clay,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. IC26–25–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–725S); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

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–725S: (Emergency Preparedness and Operations (EOP) Reliability Standards). There are no proposed changes to the reporting requirements.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due July 20, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments via email to DataClearance@FERC.gov. You must specify the Docket No. (IC26–25–000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC–735S) in your email. If you are unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service only, addressed to:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- *Hand (including courier) delivery to:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Docket: To view comments and issuances in this docket, please visit <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC-725S, Emergency Preparedness and Operations (EOP) Reliability Standards.

OMB Control No.: 1902-0270.

Type of Request: Three-year approval of the FERC-725S information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Electricity Modernization Act of 2005, which is Title XII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005), includes section 215 to the Federal Power Act (FPA).¹ FPA section 215 requires a Commission-certified Electric Reliability Organization (ERO) to develop mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards, subject to Commission review and approval. Section 215 of the FPA requires a Commission-certified ERO to develop mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards, subject to Commission review and approval. In 2006, the Commission certified the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) as the ERO pursuant to section 215 of the FPA. FERC-725S consists of the following

Emergency Preparedness and Operations (EOP) Reliability Standards, EOP-004-4 (Event Reporting), EOP-005-3 (System Restoration from Blackstart Resources), EOP-006-3 (System Restoration Coordination), EOP-008-2 (Loss of Control Center Functionality), EOP-010-1 (Geomagnetic Disturbance Operations), EOP-011-4 (Emergency Operations), and EOP-012-3 (Extreme Cold Weather Preparedness and Operations).

These Reliability Standards enhance reliability by:

(1) providing accurate reporting of events to NERC's event analysis group to analyze the impact on the reliability of the bulk electric system, staff estimates that for EOP-004-4, fifty percent of the applicable entities will have an annual reporting burden, and this is captured in the associated table below.

(2) delineating the roles and responsibilities of entities that support system restoration from blackstart resources which generate power without the support of the bulk electric system (Reliability Standard EOP-005-3).

(3) clarifying the procedures and coordination requirements for reliability coordinator personnel to execute system restoration processes (Reliability Standard EOP-006-3).

(4) refining the required elements of an operating plan used to continue reliable operations of the bulk electric system in the event that primary control center functionality is lost (Reliability Standard EOP-008-2).

(5) addressing the effects of operating Emergencies by ensuring each Transmission Operator and Balancing Authority has developed Operating Plan(s) to mitigate operating

Emergencies, and that those plans are coordinated within a Reliability Coordinator Area (EOP-010-1).

(6) streamlining the requirements for Emergency operations of Bulk Electric System. Attachment 1, which is incorporated into Requirements R2 and R6, provides the process and descriptions of the levels used by the Reliability Coordinator when communicating the condition of a Balancing Authority that is experiencing an Energy Emergency (EOP-011-4).

(7) addressing the effects of operating in extreme cold weather by ensuring each Generator Owner has developed and implemented plan(s) to mitigate the reliability impacts of extreme cold weather on its applicable generating units (EOP-012-3).

The applicable entities for different standards within the EOP family of standards include balancing authorities (BA, distribution providers (DP), distribution providers-underfrequency load shed (DP-UFLS), generator operators (GOP), generator owners (GO), reliability coordinators (RC), transmission operators (TOP) and transmission owners (TO). Estimate entity counts are taken from April 20, 2026, NERC Compliance Registration information.

Type of Respondents: Public utilities subject to the FPA.

*Estimate of Annual Burden² and cost:*³ With the exception of adjustments due to the Commission's recent experience with this information collection, the Commission estimates there will be no changes in the annual public reporting burden for the FERC-725S, as follows:

FERC-725S—EOP-004-4

[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents ^{4 5}	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response	Total annual burden & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5) rounded	(5) ÷ (1)
Annual review and record retention for EOP-004-4.	6 (RC)	1	6	8 hrs.; \$508.16	48 hrs.; \$3,049	\$508.16
	49 (BA)	1	49	8 hrs.; \$508.16	392 hrs.; \$24,900 ..	508.16
	171 (TO)	1	171	8 hrs.; \$508.16	1,368 hrs.; \$86,896	508.16

¹ 16 U.S.C. 824o. The approved Reliability Standards are available on the Commission's eLibrary document retrieval system on the NERC website, www.nerc.com.

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, refer to 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

³ The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) is a combination of the following categories from the BLS website, http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm: 75% of the average of an Electrical Engineer (17-2071) \$71.19/hr., × .75 = 53.3925 (\$53.39-rounded) (\$53.39/hour); and 25% of an Information and Record Clerk (43-4199) \$40.51/hr., \$40.51 × .25 = 10.1275 (\$10.13 rounded)

(\$10.13/hour), for a total (\$53.39 + \$10.13 = \$63.52/hour)

⁴ The number of respondents is based on NERC compliance registration information as of April 20, 2026.

⁵ For EOP-004-4 it is estimated that fifty percent of applicable entity will have an annual reporting burden and values in the table reflect that consideration (rounded up).

FERC-725S—EOP-004-4—Continued

[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents ^{4 5}	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response	Total annual burden & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5) rounded	(5) ÷ (1)
	85 (TOP)	1	85	8 hrs.; \$508.16	680 hrs.; \$43,194 ..	508.16
	689 (GO)	1	689	8 hrs.; \$508.16	5,512 hrs.; \$350,122.	508.16
	508 (GOP)	1	508	8 hrs.; \$508.16	4,064 hrs.; \$258,145.	508.16
	150 (DP)	1	150	8 hrs.; \$508.16	1,200 hrs.; \$76,224	508.16
Total EOP-004-4 .....	.....	.....	830	.....	13,264 hrs.; \$842,530.	.....

FERC-725S—EOP-005-3

[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response	Total annual burden & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5) rounded	(5) ÷ (1)
Annual review and record retention for EOP-005-3.	1,016 (GOP)	1	1,016	16 hrs.; \$1,016.32 ..	16,256 hrs.; \$1,032,581.	\$1,016.32
	170 (TOP)	1	170	24 hrs.; \$1,524.48	4,080 hrs.; \$259,162.	11,524.48
	341 (TO)	1	341	16 hrs.; \$1,016.32 ..	5,456 hrs.; \$346,565.	1,016.32
	299 (DP)	1	299	16 hrs.; \$1,016.32 ..	4,784 hrs.; \$303,880.	1,016.32
Total EOP-005-3 .....	.....	.....	1,838	.....	30,576 hrs.; \$1,942,188.	.....

FERC-725S—EOP-006-3

[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response	Total annual burden & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5) rounded	(5) ÷ (1)
Annual review and record retention for EOP-006-3.	12 (RC)	1	12	48 hrs.; \$3,048.96	576 hrs.; \$36,588 ..	\$3,048.96
Total EOP-006-3 .....	.....	.....	12	.....	576 hrs.; \$36,588 ..	.....

FERC-725S—EOP-008-2

[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response	Total annual burden & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5) rounded	(5) ÷ (1)
Annual review and record retention for EOP-008-2.	12 (RC)	1	12	24 hrs.; \$1,524.48	288 hrs.; \$18,294 ..	\$1524.48
	170 (TOP)	1	170	24 hrs.; \$1,524.48	4,080 hrs.; \$259162	1524.48

FERC-725S—EOP-008-2—Continued
[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents (1)	Annual number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden & cost per response (4)	Total annual burden & total annual cost (3) * (4) = (5) rounded	Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1)
	98 (BA)	1	98	24 hrs.; \$1,524.48 ..	2,352 hrs.; \$149,399.	1524.48
Total EOP-008-2 .....	.....	.....	280	.....	6,720 hrs.; \$426,854.	.....

FERC-725S—EOP-010-1
[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents (1)	Annual number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden & cost per response (4)	Total annual burden & total annual cost (3) * (4) = (5) rounded	Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1)
Annual review and record retention for EOP-010-1.	12 (RC)	1	12	20 hrs.; \$1,270.40	240 hrs.; \$15,245 ..	\$1,270.40
	170 (TOP)	1	170	20 hrs.; \$1,270.40	3,400 hrs.; \$215,968.	\$1,270.40
Total EOP-010-1 .....	.....	.....	182	.....	3,620 hrs.; \$231,213.	.....

FERC-725S—EOP-011-4
[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents (1)	Annual number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden & cost per response (4)	Total annual burden & total annual cost (3) * (4) = (5) rounded	Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1)
Annual review and record retention for EOP-011-4.	12 (RC)	1	12	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80	480 hrs.; \$30,490 ..	\$2,540.80
	98 (BA)	1	98	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80 ..	3,920 hrs.; \$248,998.	2,540.80
	341 (TO)	1	341	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80 ..	13,640 hrs.; \$866,413.	2,540.80
	170 (TOP)	1	170	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80	6,800 hrs.; \$431,936.	2,540.80
	72 (DP-UFLS)	1	72	20 hrs.; \$1,270.40 ..	1,440 hrs.; \$91,469	1,270.40
	299 (DP)	1	299	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80 ..	11,960 hrs.; \$759,699.	2,540.80
Total EOP-011-4 .....	.....	.....	992	.....	38,240 hrs.; \$2,429,005.	.....

FERC-725S-EOP-012-3

[Event reporting]

Reliability standard and associated requirement	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response	Total annual burden & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5) rounded	(5) ÷ (1)
Annual review and record retention for EOP-012-3.	1378 (GO)	1	1,378	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80 ..	55,120 hrs.; \$3,501,222.	\$2,540.80
	1016 (GOP)	1	1,016	50 hrs.; \$3,176.00	50,800 hrs.; \$3,226,816.	3,176.00
Total EOP-012-3 .....	.....	.....	2,394	.....	105,920 hrs.; \$6,728,038.	.....

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is 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 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: May 15, 2026.

Carlos D. Clay,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC26-30-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-919); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

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-919, (Refinements to Policies and Procedures for Market-Based Rates for Wholesale Sales of Electric Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services by

Public Utilities), and FERC-919A, (Data Collection for Analytics and Surveillance and Market-Based Rate Purposes).

DATES: Comments on the collections of information are due July 20, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments via email to DataClearance@FERC.gov. You must specify the Docket No. (IC26-30-000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC-919) in your email. If you are unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service only, addressed to:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- *Hand (including courier) delivery to:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Docket: To view comments and issuances in this docket, please visit <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kayla Williams may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, or by telephone at (202)502-6468.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC-919, (Refinements to Policies and Procedures for Market-Based Rates for Wholesale Sales of Electric Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services by Public Utilities), and FERC-919A, (Data Collection for Analytics and Surveillance and Market-Based Rate Purposes).

OMB Control No.: FERC-919 and 919A (1902-0234).

Type of Request: Three-year extension of these information collection requirements for all collections described below with no changes to the current reporting requirements. Please note: FERC-919A is a temporary collection number and will be combined into FERC-919.

Abstract: The FERC-919 collection is necessary to ensure that market-based rates charged by public utilities are just and reasonable as mandated by Federal Power Act (FPA) sections 205 and 206. Section 205 of the FPA requires just and reasonable rates and charges. Section 206 allows the Commission to revoke a seller's market-based rate authorization if it determines that the seller may have gained market power since it was originally granted market-based rate authorization by the Commission. FERC-919, as stated in 18 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 35, Subpart H,¹ codifies market-based rate standards for generating electric utilities for use in the Commission's determination of whether a wholesale seller of electric energy, capacity, or ancillary services qualify for market-based rate authority. Subpart H mandates that sellers submit market power analyses and related filings (descriptions below). Market power analyses must address both horizontal and vertical market power.

Horizontal Market Power Analysis

In order to analyze the capability and efficiency of horizontal market power (demonstrates what is lacking), the Commission uses two indicative market power screens: the uncommitted pivotal supplier screen (which is based on the annual peak demand of the relevant market) and the uncommitted market share screen applied on a seasonal basis. The Commission presumes sellers that fail either screen to have market power, and such sellers may submit a delivered price test analysis or alternative evidence to rebut the presumption of horizontal market power. If a seller fails to rebut the presumption of horizontal market power, the Commission sets the

¹ *Market-Based Rates for Wholesale Sales of Electric Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services by Public Utilities*, Order No. 697, 72 FR 39904 (Jul. 20, 2007), 119 FERC ¶ 61,295 (2007).