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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC26–33–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–603); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission.

ACTION: Notice of information collection
renewal 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 submitting its currently approved information collection, FERC–603: Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information Data Request (OMB Control No 1902–0197), to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. There are no proposed changes to the reporting requirements.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due November 5, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC–603 to OMB through https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/icrPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202608-1902-004. You can also visit <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> and use the drop-down under “Currently under Review” to select the “Federal Energy Regulatory Commission” where you can see the open opportunities to provide comments. Comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Please submit a copy of your comments to the Commission via email to DataClearance@FERC.gov. You must specify the Docket No. (IC26–33–000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC–603) 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:

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

- All other delivery methods: Federal
Energy Regulatory Commission,
Secretary of the 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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DataClearance@FERC.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC–603, Critical Energy/
Electric Infrastructure Information Data
Request.

OMB Control No.: 1902–0197.

Type of Request: Three-year extension
of the FERC–603 information collection
requirements with no changes to the
current reporting and recordkeeping
requirements.¹

Abstract: In accordance with section
215A(d) of the Federal Power Act² and
18 CFR 388.113, this collection of
information provides that persons may
seek Critical Energy/Electric
Infrastructure Information (CEII). To
receive CEII, they must show they have
a legitimate need for such information,
and they must submit a non-disclosure
agreement that decreases the likelihood
that such information could be used to
plan or execute terrorist attacks.

This collection of information
provides an alternative to seeking CEII
in accordance with the Freedom of
Information Act (FOIA).³ That statute
requires federal agencies to disclose the
requested information unless one or
more of several FOIA exemptions
justifies withholding of the requested
information. In the case of CEII, two
FOIA exemptions are likely to apply,⁴
and applying one of them frequently
results in a decision to withhold the
information from the FOIA requester.
The Commission realizes that this
process could prevent persons with a
legitimate need for CEII from obtaining
such information. For example, market
participants seeking to develop new or
expanded energy resources may have
such a need.

In the aftermath of the September 11,
2001 terrorist attacks, the Commission
determined that it was important to
improve the appropriate treatment of
CEII, both to assist requesters with a
legitimate need for CEII, and to restrict
access to the sensitive information due

to the ongoing terrorism threat. The
Commission promulgated 18 CFR
388.113 to achieve those goals.

Under 18 CFR 388.13(g)(5), a request
for CEII must contain:

- The requester’s name, title, address,
and telephone number;
- The name, address, and telephone
number of the person or entity on whose
behalf the information is requested;
- A detailed Statement of Need; and
- An executed non-disclosure
agreement.

Under 18 CFR 388.133(h)(2), the non-
disclosure agreement indicates the
individual’s willingness to adhere to
limitations on the use and disclosure of
the information requested, and
stipulates at minimum that the CEII:

- Will only be used for the purpose
for which it was requested;
- May only be discussed with
authorized recipients;
- Information utilized for modelling
will not be disclosed;
- Must be kept in a secure place in a
manner that would prevent
unauthorized access;
- Must be destroyed or returned to
the Commission upon request;
- Is strictly prohibited from
disclosure to anyone outside the United
States; and
- Is not subject to release under either
FOIA or Sunshine Laws.

In addition, the non-disclosure
agreement provides that the
Commission may audit the recipient’s
compliance with the non-disclosure
agreement; that a recipient is obligated
to protect the CEII even after a
designation has lapsed⁵ until the CEII
Coordinator⁶ determines the
information should no longer be
designated as CEII; and the recipient is
required to promptly report all
unauthorized disclosures of CEII to the
Commission.

Type of Respondents: Persons seeking
access to CEII.

Estimate of Annual Burden: The
Commission estimates the total annual

⁵ The Commission’s regulation at 18 CFR 388.113 provides criteria and procedures to designate information as CEII. A designation may last for up to five years, unless it is re-designated. A designation may be removed at any time, in whole or in part, if the Commission determines that the unauthorized disclosure of CEII can no longer be used to impair the security or reliability of the bulk-power system or distribution facilities or any other form of energy infrastructure.

⁶ The regulation at 18 CFR 375.313 delegates authority to a CEII Coordinator to receive and review all requests for CEII, make determinations regarding such requests, establish reasonable conditions on the release of CEII, and release CEII to requesters who agree in writing to abide by the conditions set forth by the Coordinator.

¹ The CEII request form and three versions of the non-disclosure agreement (General Non-Disclosure Agreement, Federal Agency Acknowledgement and Agreement, and State Agency Employee Non-Disclosure Agreement) are posted at <https://www.ferc.gov/legal/ceii-foia/ceii.asp>.

² 16 U.S.C. 824o–1(d).

³ 5 U.S.C. 552 (2018).

⁴ The relevant FOIA exemptions are Exemption 3, which allows the withholding of information prohibited from disclosure by another statute and Exemption 7, which protects from disclosure certain law enforcement information, including information the disclosure of which might jeopardize a person’s life or safety.

burden⁷ and cost⁸ for this information collection as follows.

(1) Number of respondents	(2) Annual number of responses per respondent	(3) Total number of responses (column 1 × Column 2)	(4) Average burden & cost per response	(5) Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (column 3 × column 4)	(6) Cost per respondent (\$) (column 5 ÷ column 1)
100	1	100	0.3 hrs.; \$30.60	30 hrs.; \$3,060	\$30.60

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: September 30, 2026.

Carlos D. Clay,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: PR26–81–000.
Applicants: Southern California Gas Company.
Description: § 284.123 Rate Filing: Offshore Delivery Service Rate Revision September 2026 to be effective 9/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5002.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/21/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1303–000.
Applicants: ANR Pipeline Company.
Description: Compliance filing: Penalty Revenue Crediting Report 2026 to be effective N/A.
Filed Date: 9/29/26.
Accession Number: 20260929–5110.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.

Docket Numbers: RP26–1304–000.
Applicants: Texas Eastern Transmission, LP.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: A2M II Project CP22–486, CP25–24 Recourse Rate Compliance Filing to be effective 10/12/2026.
Filed Date: 9/29/26.
Accession Number: 20260929–5119.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1305–000.
Applicants: El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Agreement Update (Exxon Oct–Nov 2026) to be effective 10/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/29/26.
Accession Number: 20260929–5125.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1306–000.
Applicants: El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Agreement Update (SRP Oct 2026) to be effective 10/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/29/26.
Accession Number: 20260929–5127.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1307–000.
Applicants: Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: MNUS FRQ 2026 Filing to be effective 11/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/29/26.
Accession Number: 20260929–5129.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1308–000.
Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 9.30.26 Negotiated Rates—Spark Energy Gas, LLC R–3045–35 to be effective 11/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5040.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1309–000.
Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 9.30.26 Negotiated Rates—Spark Energy Gas,

LLC R–3045–36 to be effective 11/1/2026.

Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5042.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1310–000.
Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 9.30.26 Negotiated Rates—Twin Eagle Resource Management, LLC R–7300–33 to be effective 11/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5043.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1311–000.
Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 9.30.26 Negotiated Rates—Twin Eagle Resource Management, LLC R–7300–34 to be effective 11/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5049.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1312–000.
Applicants: Trunkline Gas Company, LLC.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Fuel Filing on 9–30–26 to be effective 11/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5057.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1313–000.
Applicants: Trunkline Gas Company, LLC.
Description: Compliance filing: Annual Report of Flow Through filed 9–30–26 to be effective N/A.
Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5069.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1314–000.
Applicants: Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, LP.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Fuel Filing on 9–30–26 to be effective 11/1/2026.
Filed Date: 9/30/26.
Accession Number: 20260930–5072.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/26.
Docket Numbers: RP26–1315–000.

⁷ “Burden” is 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 CFR 1320.3.

⁸ FERC estimates that industry hourly costs are similar to the Commission FY 2026 average salary plus benefits of \$213,003 per year (or \$102/hour).