

Signed in Washington, DC, on October 2, 2026.

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*Director, Office of Global Energy Security,
Office of Strategic Resources.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Revision

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, intends to revise and extend for three years, an information collection request with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The information collection requests a three-year revision of its collection, titled State Energy Program, OMB Control Number 1910–5126.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before November 5, 2026. 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) 881–9493.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Gregory Davoren, CM–5SCP, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20585–0121 or by email or telephone at gregory.davoren@doe.gov, (202) 287–1706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the extended collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the

methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

This information collection request contains:

- (1) *OMB No.*: 1910–5126;
- (2) *Information Collection Request Titled*: State Energy Program (SEP);
- (3) *Type of Review*: Revision of a Currently Approved Collection;
- (4) *Purpose*: To collect information on the status of grantee activities related to the SEP Annual Appropriations and SEP funding appropriated under the Infrastructure and Jobs Act (IIJA)—total activities funded with grant funds; expenditures; and results, to ensure that program funds are being used appropriately, effectively, and expeditiously;
- (5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents*: 56;
- (6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses*: 744;
- (7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours*: 12,056;
- (8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden*: \$1,002,456.

Statutory Authority: Title 42, Chapter 77, Subchapter III, Part B of the United States Code (U.S.C.), (42 U.S.C. 6321 *et seq.*). All grant awards made under this program shall comply with applicable laws including, but not limited to, the SEP statutory authority (42 U.S.C. 6321 *et seq.*), 10 CFR part 420, and 2 CFR part 200 as amended by 2 CFR part 910.

Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on, by September 30, 2026, Audrey Robertson, Assistant Secretary of Energy, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on October 2, 2026.

Treena V. Garrett,

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S.
Department of Energy.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP26–572–000]

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.; Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed Evergy McNew Power Plant Delivery Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental document that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Evergy McNew Power Plant Delivery Project involving construction and operation of facilities by Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. (Southern Star) in Reno, Harvey, and Stafford counties, Kansas. The Commission will use this environmental document in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies regarding the project. As part of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review process, the Commission takes into account concerns the public may have about proposals and the environmental impacts that could result from its action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. This gathering of public input is referred to as “scoping.” The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the environmental document on the important environmental issues. Additional information about the Commission’s NEPA process is described below in the *NEPA Process and Environmental Document* section of this notice.

By this notice, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of issues to address in the environmental document. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please submit your comments so that the Commission receives them in Washington, DC on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on