comments. In both instances, please reference the Project docket number CP27–17–000 in your submission.

(1) You may file your protest, motion to intervene, and comments by using the Commission's eFiling feature, which is located on the Commission's website (*www.ferc.gov*) under the link to Documents and Filings. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on ''eRegister.'' You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making; first select ''General'' and then select ''Protest'', ''Intervention'', or ''Comment on a Filing''; or [6]

(2) You can file a paper copy of your submission by mailing it to the address below. Your submission must reference the Project docket number CP27–17–000.

To file via USPS: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

To file via any other method: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The Commission encourages electronic filing of submissions (option 1 above) and has eFiling staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or *FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov.*

Protests and motions to intervene must be served on the applicant either by mail at: David Alonzo, Director of Certificates, ANR Pipeline Company, 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 1300, Houston, Texas 77002, or by email (with a link to the document) at *David_alonzo@tcenergy.com.* Any subsequent submissions by an intervenor must be served on the applicant and all other parties to the proceeding. Contact information for parties can be downloaded from the service list at the eService link on FERC Online.

Tracking the Proceeding

Throughout the proceeding, additional information about the project will be available from OPP at (202) 502–6595 or on the FERC website at *www.ferc.gov* using the ''eLibrary'' link as described above. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

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[6] Additionally, you may file your comments electronically by using the eComment feature, which is located on the Commission's website at *www.ferc.gov* under the link to Documents and Filings. Using eComment is an easy method for interested persons to submit brief, text-only comments on a project.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC26–40–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–549C); 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 (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection, FERC–549C (OMB Control No. 1902–0174), Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines. The comment period ended on September 8, 2026, with no comments received.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due December 28, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC–549C to OMB through *https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/icrPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202611-1902-002.* You can also visit *https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain* and use the drop-down under ''Currently under Review'' to select the ''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 Docket No. (IC26–40–000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC–549C) 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.* Once there, you can also sign up for automatic notification of activity in this docket.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact: Kayla Williams at *DataClearance@FERC.gov,* telephone at (202) 502–6468.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* FERC–549C, Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines

OMB Control No.: 1902–0174

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC–549C information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The business practice standards under FERC–549C are required to carry out the Commission's policies in accordance with the general authority in sections 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 14, 16, and 20 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA),[1] and sections 311, 501, and 504 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA).[2] The Commission adopted these business practice standards in order to update and standardize the natural gas industry's business practices and procedures in addition to improving the efficiency of the gas market and the means by which the gas industry conducts business across the interstate pipeline grid. Since 1996, the Commission has incorporated by reference in its regulations the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB) business practice standards and communication methodologies of interstate natural gas pipelines to create a more integrated and efficient pipeline network system. These regulations have been promulgated in the Order No. 587 series of orders,[3] wherein the Commission has incorporated by reference the standards for interstate natural gas pipeline business practices and electronic communications developed by NAESB's Wholesale Gas

[1] 15 U.S.C. 717c–717w.

[2] 15 U.S.C. 3301–3432.

[3] This series of orders began with the Commission's issuance of Order No. 587, *Standards for Bus. Pracs. of Interstate Nat. Gas Pipelines,* 61 FR 39053 (July 26, 1996), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,038 (1996) (cross-referenced at 76 FERC ¶ 61,042).

Quadrant (WGQ). Upon incorporation by reference, the revisions to three sets of version 4.0 standards added two new standards and revise one standard in the currently incorporated version of NAESB's business practice standards.[4]

NAESB is an American National Standards Institute-accredited, non-profit standards development organization formed for the purpose of developing voluntary standards and model business practices that promote more competitive and efficient natural gas and electric markets. NAESB has divided its efforts among four quadrants including two retail quadrants, a wholesale electric quadrant, and the WGQ. The NAESB WGQ standards are a product of this effort. Industry participants seeking additional or amended standards (to include principles, definitions, standards, data elements, process descriptions, and technical implementation instructions) must submit a request to the NAESB office, detailing the change, so that the appropriate process may take place to amend the standards.

Failure to collect the FERC–549C data would prevent the Commission from monitoring and properly evaluating pipeline transactions and/or meeting statutory obligations under both the NGA and NGPA.

On December 4, 2024, NAESB filed a report informing the Commission that it had modified Version 4.0 of the business practice standards (Informational Report).[5] These revisions to the standards would improve the reliability of the interstate natural gas infrastructure to support the bulk electric system and improve communication among gas and electric market participants to enhance situational awareness during extreme cold weather events.[6] Notably, the Informational Report identifies revisions to three sets of standards which include two new standards and one revised standard. One new standard facilitates the posting of applicable scheduled quantity information for power plants that are directly connected to the pipeline as part of the new ''Gas Electric Coordination'' posting category. The one revised standard includes a new ''Gas Electric Coordination'' posting category. The second new standard supports the inclusion of the geographic information of impacted area(s), location(s), and/or pipeline facility(ies) by a transportation service provider when issuing a critical notice. Pipelines are currently required to make this information available through computer-to-computer electronic data interchange in addition to other batch file downloadable formats they may provide.[7]

Type of Respondents: Natural gas pipelines under the jurisdiction of NGA and NGPA.

Estimate of Annual Burden.[8] The Commission estimates the total annual burden and cost for this information collection as follows:[9]

FERC–549C: STANDARDS FOR BUSINESS PRACTICES OF INTERSTATE NATURAL GAS PIPELINES

	Number of respondents[10] (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden hrs. per response (4)	Total burden hours & total cost[11] (3) * (4) = (5)	Cost per respondent ($) (5)/(1) = (6)
Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines.	165	1	165	33.33 hrs.; $3,266.34	5,499.45 hrs.; $538,946.10.	$3,266.34

Computer and Information Systems Manager (Occupation Code: 11–3021), $110.62,

Computer and Information Analysts (Occupation Code: 15–1210), $68.34,

Electrical Engineer (Occupation Code: 17–2071), $71.19,

Legal (Occupation Code: 23–0000), $140.76.

The average hourly cost (salary plus benefits), weighting these skill sets evenly, is $97.728. We round it to $98/hour.

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.

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Secretary.

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[4] *Standards for Bus. Pracs. of Interstate Nat. Gas Pipelines,* Order No. 587–AB, 91 FR 31651 (May 28, 2026), 195 FERC ¶ 61,135 (2026).

[5] *See* NAESB WGQ Business Practice Standards Version 4.0 Report, Docket No. RM96–1–044 (Dec. 4, 2024).

[6] As explained below, NAESB has adopted two new standards and revisions to one existing standard in response to Recommendation 5 of the report that the staffs of theCommission, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), and Regional Entities issued November 7, 2023: FERC et al., FERC, NERC & Reg'l Entity Staff Rep.: Inquiry into Bulk-Power Sys. Operations During Dec. 2022 Winter Storm Elliott, Docket No. AD23-8-000, at 143 (Nov. 7, 2023) (Recommendation 5), *https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/filedownload?fileid=00F8FAAC-A049-C84B-8784-8BB5FEC00000* (as updated Feb. 28. 2024, *https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/filedownload?fileid=BB92A244-97DD-C8A7-96AC-8D897D600000*).

[7] 18 CFR 284.12 (a)(1)(v), (b)(3)(i)(A). *See Standards for Bus. Pracs. of Interstate Nat. Gas Pipelines,* Order No. 587–G, 83 FERC ¶ 61,029, at text accompanying note 58 (1998), 63 FR 20072 (April 23, 1998).

[8] The Commission defines burden 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, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

[9] Commission staff estimates that the industry's skill set and cost (for wages and benefits) for FERC–549C are approximately the same as the Commission's average cost.

[10] The number of respondents is the number of entities in which a change in burden from the current standards to the proposed exists, not the total number of entities from the current or proposed standards that are applicable.

[11] The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) provided in this section is based on the salary figures for May 2024 posted on April 2, 2025 by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Utilities sector (available at *https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm*) and scaled to reflect benefits using the relative importance of employer costs for employee compensation (available at *https://www.bls.gov/news.release/ecec.nr0.htm*). The hourly estimates for salary plus benefits are: