

jurisdictional facilities, merges such facilities with jurisdictional facilities owned by another person, or acquires the securities of another public utility. Under the statute, the Commission must find that a proposed transaction will be consistent with the public interest before it may approve such transaction.

Section 318 exempts certain persons from the requirements of Section 203 that would otherwise concurrently apply under the Public Utility Holding Act of 1935. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Part 33.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (3)	Total annual burden hours (1)×(2)×(3)
125	1	80 hours	10,000 hours.

The Commission anticipates a minor increase in the burden hours to be reported for FERC-519. This is a result of an increase in the Docket No. IC99-519-000 number of mergers and the disposition of electric utility generation and transmission facilities as a result of restructuring of the electric industry.

Estimated total cost burden to respondents: 10,000 hours/2,080 hours per year × \$109,889 per year = \$528,313. The cost per respondent is equal to \$4,227.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondent is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are cost incurred by an organization in support of Docket No. IC99-519-000 its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed 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 of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC99-520-000; FERC-520]

Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments

March 23, 1999.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the

specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before May 28, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Chief Information Officer, CI-1, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 208-2425 and by e-mail at mike.miller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Abstract: The information collected under the requirements of FERC-520 "Application for Authority to Hold Interlocking Directorate Positions" (OMB No. 1902-0083) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act. Section 305(b) makes the holding of certain defined interlocking corporate positions unlawful unless the Commission has authorized the interlocks to be held, and requires the applicant to show in a form and manner as prescribed by the Commission, that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by the holding of the position. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Part 45.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (3)	Total annual burden hours (1)x(2)x(3)
28	1	51.8 hours	1,450 hours.

The Commission anticipates an increase in the total burden hours due to changes in the wholesale marketplace. Specifically the number of participants (i.e. power marketers and independent power producers) is expected to increase.

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 1,450 hours/2,080 hours per year x \$109,889 per year = \$76,605. The cost per respondent is \$2,736.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information including: (1) reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are cost incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) whether the proposed 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 of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated,

electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-260-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 22, 1999.

Take notice that on March 16, 1999, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), 500 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan 48243, filed in Docket No. CP99-260-000 a request pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) for authorization to modify the metering facilities at an existing interconnection with Southeastern Michigan Gas Company in St. Clair County, Michigan, under ANR's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-480-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

ANR proposes to construct and operate two additional 12-inch turbine meters at its Greenwood Interconnection. ANR states that upon completion of these reconfigured metering facilities, the total nominal capacity of the Greenwood Interconnection would be increased from approximately 200 MMcf/d to approximately 290 MMcf/d.

ANR states further that the total cost of the modifications would be approximately \$360,000, for which ANR would be fully reimbursed.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the

Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-261-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 23, 1999.

Take notice that on March 16, 1999, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), a Delaware corporation, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed in Docket No. CP99-261-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) to certificate and to continue the operation of an existing delivery point located in El Paso County, Texas, installed under Section 311(a) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA), under El Paso's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-435-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

The request for authorization states El Paso installed the Southern Union Gas Angel Park Delivery Point (Angel Park Delivery Point) under Section 311(a)