

the agency's burden estimate of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to calculate the reporting burden; and (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected.

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Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC08-73-001, FERC Form 73]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities, Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Submitted for OMB Review

April 9, 2008.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of this information collection requirement. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received one comment in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of January 14, 2008 (73 FR 2232) and has noted this fact in its submission to OMB.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due by May 15, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Address comments on the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Comments to OMB should be filed electronically, *c/o oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov* and include the OMB Control No. (1902-0019) as a point of reference. The Desk Officer may be reached by telephone at 202-395-7345. A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Executive Director, ED-34, Attention: Michael Miller, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those persons filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filings, such comments should be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and should refer to Docket No. IC08-73-001.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in an acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission submission guidelines. Complete filing instructions and acceptable filing formats are available at (<http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide/electronic-media.asp>). To file the document electronically, access the Commission's Web site and click on Documents & Filing, E-Filing (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>), and then follow the instructions for each screen. First time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments.

All comments may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely via the Internet through FERC's homepage using the "eLibrary" link. For user assistance, contact *fercolinesupport@ferc.gov* or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 502-8415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at *michael.miller@ferc.gov*.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Description

The information collection submitted for OMB review contains the following:

1. *Collection of Information:* FERC Form 73 "Oil Pipeline Service Life Data".
2. *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
3. Control No. 1902-0019.

The Commission is now requesting that OMB approve with a three-year extension of the expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection. The information filed with the Commission is mandatory.

4. *Necessity of the Collection of Information:* Submission of the information is necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the statutory provisions of the Department of Energy Organization Act, and Executive Order No. 12009, 42 FR (September 13, 1977). The Commission

has authority over interstate pipelines as stated in the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 6501 *et al.* As part of the information necessary for the subsequent investigation and review of an oil pipeline company's proposed depreciation rates, the pipeline companies are required to provide public service life data as part of their data submission if the proposed depreciation rates are based on the remaining physical life calculations. This service life data is submitted on FERC Form 73.

The scope of the Commission's jurisdiction over oil pipelines includes the authority to regulate their rates and charges for transportation of oil in interstate commerce, and the authority to establish valuations. Oil pipeline companies are required to submit depreciation information pursuant to 1-8(b)(2) and 1-8(b)(3) of the General Instructions found at 18 CFR Part 352 of the Commission's regulations. These instructions require oil pipeline carriers to compute percentage rate studies for their depreciable property accounts, and to maintain records as to the service life and net salvage value of their property and property retirements.

The Commission uses the information submitted on FERC Form 73 to conduct depreciation rate investigations of oil pipelines. The Commission also uses the information to determine appropriate oil pipeline service lives and book depreciation rates. Oil pipeline companies use book depreciation rates to compute the depreciation portion of their operating expenses when determining their cost of service. The Commission implements these requirements in 18 CFR 357.3 of its regulations.

5. *Respondent Description:* The respondent universe currently comprises on average 2 respondents subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. The Commission estimates that it will receive annually on average 2 filings per year.

6. *Estimated Burden:* 80 total hours, 2 respondents (average per year), 1 response per respondent, and 40 hours per response (average).

7. *Estimated Cost Burden to respondents:* The estimated total cost to respondents is \$4861. (80 hours ÷ 2080 hours per year × \$126,384)

**Statutory Authority:** Sections 306 and 402 of the Department of Energy Organization Act, Pub. L. 95-91, 42 7155 and 7172,

Interstate Commerce Act (ICA), 49 U.S.C. 6501 *et al.*, and Executive Order No. 12009.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM07-10-000]

#### Transparency Provisions of Section 23 of the Natural Gas Act; Second Notice and Agenda for Form No. 552 Technical Conference

April 8, 2008.

The staff technical conference in the above-referenced proceeding is scheduled for April 22, 2008, at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in the Commission Meeting Room (2-C) from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. (EST).

As discussed in Order No. 704, Transparency Provisions of section 23 of the Natural Gas Act,<sup>1</sup> the conference will address issues associated with filing the Form No. 552. Order No. 704 requires certain natural gas buyers and sellers to identify themselves to the Commission and report summary information about their physical natural gas transactions for the previous calendar year in Form No. 552, established for that purpose. During the Technical Conference, Commission staff and conference participants will discuss, among other things, the following topics, with respect to Form No. 552:

1. Entities required to file the form;
2. Filing exclusions or exemptions;
3. Detail in reporting sales and purchases of natural gas;
4. Definitions of data elements; and
5. Publisher index point definitions and differences in reportable locations between publishers.

As stated in the March 6, 2008, Notice of Form No. 552, Technical Conference questions about the Form No. 552 were to be filed before March 31, 2008 under Docket No. RM07-10-000. Those filings are available at the Commission and may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. For assistance accessing documents on eLibrary, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or via

phone at (866) 208-3676 (toll-free). For TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

All interested persons are invited to attend in person or participate via teleconference for the Technical Conference, and there is no fee to register, participate via teleconference, or attend the conference. Those interested in participating by phone must register no later than April 18, 2008, on the FERC Web site at <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/form-552-04-22-form.asp>. Those who will participate in person are encouraged, but not required, to register. Information for the conference call will be emailed to registered participants. For additional information, please contact Michelle Reaux of FERC's Office of Enforcement at (202) 502-6497 or by e-mail at [michelle.reaux@ferc.gov](mailto:michelle.reaux@ferc.gov).

Commission conferences and meetings are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an e-mail to [accessibility@ferc.gov](mailto:accessibility@ferc.gov) or call toll free (866) 208-3372 (voice) or 202-502-8659 (TTY), or send a fax to 202-208-2106 with the required accommodations.

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*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13111-000]

#### Dan River Hydropower, LLC; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests, and Comments

April 8, 2008

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.
- b. *Project No.:* 13111-000.
- c. *Date filed:* February 11, 2008.
- d. *Applicant:* Dan River Hydropower, LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Dan River Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Dan River, in Rockingham County, North Carolina. The Dam is own by Duke Energy Corporation.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Kevin Edwards, Dan River Hydropower, LLC, P.O. Box 143, Mayodan, NC 27027, (336) 589-6138.

i. *FERC Contact:* Robert Bell, (202) 502-6062.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. Please include the project number (P-13111-000) on any comments or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) An existing 350-foot-long, 11-foot-high Steam Station Dam, (2) an existing impoundment having a surface area of 108 acres, with a storage capacity of 54 acre-feet and normal water surface elevation of 496.0 feet mean sea level, (3) a proposed power house containing three generating units having a total installed capacity of 1,200 kilowatts, (4) a proposed 4,000-foot-long, 12 kilovolt transmission line, and (5) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated average annual generation of 6.5 gigawatt-hours, which would be sold to a local utility.

l. *Location of Application:* This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail [FERCONLINE@FERC.GOV](mailto:FERCONLINE@FERC.GOV). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should

<sup>1</sup> *Transparency Provisions of Section 23 of the Natural Gas Act*, Order No. 704, 73 Fed. Reg. 1014 (Jan. 4, 2008), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,260 (2008).