The total estimated annual cost burden to respondents is $4,882,500 [69,750 hours × $70/hour × 3 = $4,882,500].

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.

Dated: April 17, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC12–18–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–500 and FERC–505); Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is submitting the information collections Application for License/Relicense for Water Projects with Greater than 5 Megawatt Capacity (FERC–500), and Application for License/Relicense for Water Projects with Greater than 5 Megawatt Capacity (FERC–505) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. 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 published notices in the Federal Register (77 FR 56636, 9/13/2012, and 77 FR 73631, 12/11/2012) requesting public comments. FERC received no comments on the FERC–500 and FERC–505 for either notice and is making this notation in its submittal to OMB.

The Commission is issuing this 15-day public notice due to a change of the estimated burden figures. Upon further review, the Commission found that the previously approved burden estimates (i.e. the numbers presented here) should be used.

DATES: Comments on the collections of information are due by May 9, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments filed with OMB, identified by the OMB Control Nos. 1902–0058 (FERC–500) and/or 1902–0114 (FERC–505), should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs: oira_submission@omb.gov. Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. The Desk Officer may also be reached via telephone at 202–395–4718.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, identified by the Docket No. IC12–18–000, by one of the following methods:


Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconline@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208–3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502–8659 for TTY.

Docket: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, by telephone at (202) 502–8663, and by fax at (202) 273–0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

TITLES: FERC–500: Application for License/Relicense for Water Projects with Greater than 5 Megawatt Capacity; FERC–505: Application for License/Relicense for Water Projects with 5 Megawatt or Less Capacity.

OMB Control Nos.: FERC–500 (1902–0058); FERC–505 (1902–0114).

Type of Request: 16 U.S.C. 797(e) authorizes the Commission to issue licenses to citizens of the United States for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining dams, across, along, from, or within waterways over which Congress has jurisdiction. The Electric Consumers Protection Act amended the Federal Power Act to provide the Commission with the responsibility of issuing licenses for non-federal hydroelectric plants. 16 U.S.C. 797(e) also requires the Commission to give equal consideration to preserving energy conservation, the protection, mitigation of damage to, and enhancement of, fish and wildlife, the protection of recreational opportunities, and the preservation of other aspects of environmental quality when approving licenses. Finally, 16 U.S.C. 799 stipulates conditions upon which the Commission issues hydroelectric licenses.

The Commission requires all hydroelectric license applications to address a variety of environmental concerns. Many of these concerns address environmental requirements developed by other agencies. The applicants must provide facts in order for the Commission to understand and resolve potential environmental problems associated with the application in the interests of the United States public.

Types of Respondents: Non-federal hydroelectric plants greater than 5 megawatt capacity (FERC–500); non-federal hydroelectric plants 5 megawatts or less capacity (FERC–505).

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Estimate of Annual Burden: ¹ The Commission estimates the total Public Reporting Burden for each information collection as:

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FERC—500 total estimated annual cost burden to respondents is $43,823,659

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\text{[635,037 hours \times 2080 hours/year \times \frac{1}{4}] = $43,823,659}
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FERC—505: total estimated annual cost burden to respondents is $4,056,523

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\text{[(58,782 hours \times 2080 hours/year) \times \frac{1}{4}] = $4,056,523}
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Comments: Comments are invited on:

1. Whether the collections of information are 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 collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. Ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and
4. Ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.


Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.
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¹ 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.

² 2080 hours = 52 weeks × 40 hours per week (i.e., 1 year of full-time employment).

³ Average salary plus benefits per full-time equivalent employee.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
[Docket No. CP13–131–000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC; Notice of Application

Take notice that on April 9, 2013, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC (Transco), P.O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, filed in Docket No. CP13–131–000, a request for authority, pursuant section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Commission regulations, to abandon, in place, certain pipeline facilities located in offshore Louisiana adjacent to South Marsh Island Block 49 of Transco’s Southeast Louisiana Lateral. Specifically, Transco proposes to abandon approximately 57 miles of supply laterals known as the SMI 49 Laterals. Transco states that the requested abandonment will have no impact on the daily design capacity or operating conditions on Transco’s pipeline system, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing is accessible on-line at http://www.ferc.gov, using the “eLibrary” link and is available for review in the Commission’s Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an “eSubscription” link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed Ingrid Germany, Staff Analyst, Certificates & Tariffs, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC, P.O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, and telephone no. (713) 215–4015.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission’s rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission’s public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff’s issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission’s public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all