

within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

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 federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, and will be notified of any meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenter will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 3 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Dated: November 1, 2018.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC19-4-000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-714); Comment Request Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

**ACTION:** Comment request.

**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-714 (Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements.

**DATES:** Comments on the collections of information are due by January 7, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC19-4-000) by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Website:*

<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:*

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

**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 [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@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](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), by telephone at (202) 502-8663, and by fax at (202) 273-0873.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** FERC-714, Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report.

**OMB Control No.:** 1902-0140.

**Type of Request:** Three-year extension of the FERC-714 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

**Abstract:** The Commission uses the FERC-714 data to analyze power system operations. These analyses estimate the effect of changes in power system operations resulting from the installation of a new generating unit or plant, transmission facilities, energy transfers between systems, and/or new points of interconnections. The FERC-714 data assists in providing a broad picture of interconnected balancing authority area operations including comprehensive information of balancing authority area generation, actual and scheduled inter-balancing authority area power transfers, and net energy for load, summer and winter generation peaks and system lambda. The Commission also uses the data to prepare status reports on the electric utility industry including a review of inter-balancing authority area bulk power trade information.

The Commission uses the collected data from planning areas to monitor forecasted demands by electric utilities with fundamental demand responsibilities and to develop hourly demand characteristics.

**Type of Respondent:** Electric utility balancing authorities and planning areas in the United States.

**Estimate of Annual Burden<sup>1</sup>:** The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden and cost<sup>2</sup> (rounded) for the information collection as follows:

- Accountants and Auditors (Code 13-2011), \$56.59/hr.
- Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers (Code 11-3071), \$75.34/hr.
- Power Distributors and Dispatchers (Code 51-8012), \$53.48/hr.

The average hourly cost (wages plus benefits) for the above wages is \$72.29/hour (rounded \$72.00).

<sup>1</sup> Burden is defined 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, refer to 5 CFR 1320.3.

<sup>2</sup> The hourly cost (for salary plus benefits) uses the figures from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2017, for the listed reporting requirements. These figures include salary (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/>

[current/naics2\\_22.htm](http://current/naics2_22.htm)) and benefits <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/ecec.nr0.htm>) and are:

- Management (Code 11-0000), \$94.28/hr.
- Computer and mathematical (Code 15-0000), \$63.25/hr.
- Electrical Engineers (Code 17-2071), \$66.90/hr.
- Economist (Code 19-3011), \$71.98/hr.
- Computer and Information Systems Managers (Code 11-3021), \$96.51/hr.

## FERC-714

[Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report]

Number of respondents (1)	Annual number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden and cost per response (4)	Total annual burden hours and total annual cost (3) * (4) = (5)	Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1)
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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 estimates 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.

Dated: November 1, 2018.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. ER02-2001-020; ER12-327-000; ER12-2309-000; ER16-1458-000; ER12-733-001]

#### Electric Quarterly Reports; L&L Energy LLC; Bartram Lane LLC; Aspirtly Energy, LLC; Promet Energy Partners, LLC; Notice of Revocation of Market-Based Rate Authority and Termination of Electric Market-Based Rate Tariff

On August 21, 2018, the Commission issued an order announcing its intent to revoke the market-based rate authority of the public utilities listed in the caption of that order, which included the companies listed in the caption above, which had failed to file their required Electric Quarterly Reports.<sup>1</sup> The Commission directed those public utilities to file the required Electric Quarterly Reports within 15 days of the date of issuance of the order or face revocation of their authority to sell

power at market-based rates and termination of their electric market-based rate tariffs.<sup>2</sup>

The time period for compliance with the August 21 Order has elapsed. The above-captioned companies failed to file their delinquent Electric Quarterly Reports. The Commission hereby revokes, effective as of the date of issuance of this notice, the market-based rate authority and terminates the electric market-based rate tariff of each of the companies who are named in the caption of this order.

Dated: November 1, 2018.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

[Public Notice: 2018-6021]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Export-Import Bank of the United States.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB Review and Comments Request.

**SUMMARY:** The Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM), as a part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to comment on the proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

EXIM plans to invite approximately 150 U.S. exporters and commercial lending institutions that have used EXIM's short-, medium-, and long-term programs over the previous calendar year with an electronic invitation to participate in the online survey. The proposed survey will ask participants to evaluate the competitiveness of EXIM's programs and how the programs compare to those of foreign credit agencies. EXIM will use the responses to

develop an analysis of the Bank's competitiveness.

The survey can be reviewed at: [http://www.exim.gov/sites/default/files/pub/pending/EXIM\\_Competitiveness\\_Report\\_Survey.pdf](http://www.exim.gov/sites/default/files/pub/pending/EXIM_Competitiveness_Report_Survey.pdf).

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before January 7, 2019 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted electronically on [WWW.REGULATIONS.GOV](http://WWW.REGULATIONS.GOV) (EIB 00-02) or by email [Mia.Johnson@exim.gov](mailto:Mia.Johnson@exim.gov) or by mail to Mia L. Johnson, Export-Import Bank of the United States, 811 Vermont Ave. NW Washington, DC 20571 Attn: OMB 3048-14-01

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Titles and Form Number:* EIB 00-02 Annual Competitiveness Report Survey of Exporters and Bankers.

*OMB Number:* 3048-0004.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Need and Use:* The information requested enables EXIM to evaluate and assess its competitiveness with the programs and activities of the major OECD official ECAs and to report on the Bank's status in this regard.

*Affected Public:*

*The number of respondents:* 150.

*Estimated time per respondents:* 90 minutes.

*The frequency of response:* Annually.

*Annual hour burden:* 225 total hours.

*Government Expenses:*

*Reviewing time per response:* 45 minutes.

*Responses per year:* 150.

*Reviewing time per year:* 112.5 hours.

*Average Wages per hour:* \$42.50.

*Average cost per year:* \$4,781.25 (time \* wages).

*Benefits and overhead:* 20%.

*Total Government Cost:* \$5737.5.

**Bassam Doughman,**

*IT Specialist.*

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<sup>1</sup> *Electric Quarterly Reports*, 164 FERC ¶ 61,122 (2018) (August 21 Order).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at Ordering Paragraph A.