If executed outside the United States: "I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)."

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#### **EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

#### HISTORY:

January 10, 2014, 79 FR 1840.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Notice of Request for Information: Challenges and Opportunities for the American Solar Industry

**AGENCY:** Solar Technologies Office, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Request for information.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy Solar Energy Technologies Office (SETO) seeks information to help inform its research priorities, as part of its annual planning process. The purpose of this Request for Information (RFI) is to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research laboratories, government agencies, and other stakeholders to identify areas of interest related to challenges and opportunities for the American solar industry that are appropriate for federal government funding. This is solely a request for information and not a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA).

**DATES:** Responses to the RFI must be received no later than January 7, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Responses to this RFI must be submitted electronically to the email addresses provided in each of the topic sections as described in the RFI DE—FOA—0002055 available at: https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/FileContent.aspx?FileID=b79b612c-f2f9-49ea-846e-e74d2e6602d0. Responses must be provided as attachments to an email. It is recommended that attachments with file sizes exceeding 25MB be compressed (i.e., zipped) to ensure message delivery. Responses must be provided as a Microsoft Word (.docx) attachment to the email, and in 12 point

font with 1 inch margins. Only electronic responses will be accepted.

Please identify answers by responding to a specific question or topic if applicable. Respondents may answer as many or as few questions as desired at their discretion.

EERE will not respond to individual submissions or publicly publish a compendium of responses. A response to this RFI will not be viewed as a binding commitment to develop or pursue the project or ideas discussed.

Respondents are requested to provide the following information at the start of their response to this RFI:

- Company/institution name;
- Company/institution contact;
- Contact's address, phone number, and email address.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Andrew Graves (202) 586–1071, Andrew.Graves@ee.doe.gov. Further instructions can be found in the RFI DE–FOA–0002055 document posted on EERE Exchange.

supplementary information: DOE posted on its website a RFI to solicit feedback from industry (including but not limited to research organizations, manufacturing organizations, catalyst manufacturers, and catalyst research consortia), academia, research laboratories, government agencies, and other solar stakeholders. The RFI DE–FOA–0002055 is available at: https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/FileContent.aspx?FileID=b79b612c-f2f9-49ea-846e-e74d2e6602d0.

#### **Confidential Business Information**

Because information received in response to this RFI may be used to structure future programs, funding and/ or otherwise be made available to the public, respondents are strongly advised to not include any information in their responses that might be considered business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential. If, however, a respondent chooses to submit business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential information, it must be clearly and conspicuously marked as such in the response as detailed in the RFI at: https://eereexchange.energy.gov/FileContent. aspx?FileID=b79b612c-f2f9-49ea-846e-

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aspx?FileID=b79b612c-f2f9-49ea-846e-e74d2e6602d0. Factors of interest to
DOE when evaluating requests to treat
submitted information as confidential
include: (1) A description of the items;
(2) whether and why such items are
customarily treated as confidential
within the industry; (3) whether the
information is generally known by or
available from other sources; (4)
whether the information has previously

been made available to others without obligation concerning its confidentiality; (5) an explanation of the competitive injury to the submitting person that would result from public disclosure; (6) when such information might lose its confidential character due to the passage of time; and (7) why disclosure of the information would be contrary to the public interest.

Signed in Washington, DC on December 10, 2018.

#### Charles Gay,

Director, Solar Energy Technologies Office. [FR Doc. 2018–27451 Filed 12–18–18; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450-01-P

#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### **Combined Notice of Filings**

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

#### **Filings Instituting Procedures**

Docket Number: PR19–25–000. Applicants: Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

Description: Tariff filing per 284.123(b),(e)/: Revised Statement of Operating Conditions to be effective 11/29/2018.

Filed Date: 12/12/18.

 $\begin{array}{l} Accession\ Number: 20181212-5029. \\ Comments\ Due: 5\ p.m.\ ET\ 1/2/19. \end{array}$ 

Docket Number: RP19–86–001. Applicants: Southern Natural Gas Company, LLC.

Description: Tariff filing per 154.203: OFO Penalty Revisions-Compliance to be effective 11/29/2018.

Filed Date: 12/6/18.

Accession Number: 20181206–5286. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/18/18.

Docket Numbers: RP19–261–001. Applicants: Blue Lake Gas Storage Company.

Description: Tariff filing per 154.203: Blue Lake 501–G Settlement Implementation to be effective 1/1/2019.

Filed Date: 12/7/2018.

Accession Number: 20181207–5139. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/19/18.

Docket Numbers: RP19–455–000. Applicants: Northern Natural Gas Company.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 20181211 Negotiated Rate to be effective 12/11/2018.

Filed Date: 2/11/18.

Accession Number: 20181211–5114. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/24/18. Docket Numbers: RP19–456–000.