

Authority for This Rulemaking

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA's authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the Agency's authority.

The FAA is issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: "General requirements." Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

Regulatory Findings

This AD will not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This AD will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this AD:

- (1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866,
- (2) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and
- (3) Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA amends 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

■ 2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):

2020–08–01 General Electric Company:
Amendment 39–21107; Docket No. FAA–2019–0665; Project Identifier 2019–NE–25–AD.

(a) Effective Date

This AD is effective May 15, 2020.

(b) Affected ADs

None.

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to General Electric Company (GE) CF34–1A, CF34–3A, CF34–3A1, CF34–3A2, CF34–3B, and CF34–3B1 model turbofan engines having a fan blade with a part number listed in Planning Information, paragraph 1.A., of GE Service Bulletin (SB) CF34–AL S/B 72–0314, dated September 27, 2017 or of GE SB CF34–BJ S/B 72–0306, dated September 27, 2017, and with any serial number listed in paragraph 4., Appendix A, of GE SB CF34–AL S/B 72–0314 or of GE SB CF34–BJ S/B 72–0306.

(d) Subject

Joint Aircraft System Component (JASC) Code 7220, Turbine Engine Inlet Section.

(e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by an in-flight failure of a fan blade that led to an in-flight shutdown. The FAA is issuing this AD to prevent failure of the fan blade. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could result in failure of one or more engines, loss of thrust control, and loss of the airplane.

(f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

(g) Required Actions

Remove the affected fan blades from service within 90 days after the effective date of this AD and replace with a part eligible for installation.

(h) Definition

A part that is eligible for installation is any fan blade other than those identified by paragraph (c) of this AD or a fan blade that has been repaired per GE SB CF34–AL S/B 72–0148, Revision 05, dated July 23, 2015; or GE SB CF34–BJ S/B 72–0123, Revision 04, dated October 21, 2015.

(i) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, ECO Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the certification office, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (j) of this AD. You may email your request to ANE-AD-AMOC@faa.gov.

(2) Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/certificate holding district office.

(j) Related Information

For more information about this AD, contact Christopher McGuire, Aerospace Engineer, ECO Branch, FAA, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA, 01803; phone: 781–238–7120; fax: 781–238–7199; email: chris.mcguire@faa.gov.

(k) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the service information listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this service information as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(i) General Electric Company (GE) Service Bulletin (SB) CF34–BJ S/B 72–0306, dated September 27, 2017.

(ii) GE SB CF34–AL S/B 72–0314, dated September 27, 2017.

(3) For GE service information identified in this AD, contact General Electric Company, GE Aviation, Room 285, 1 Neumann Way, Cincinnati, OH, 45215; phone: 513–552–3272; email: aviation.fleetsupport@ge.com.

(4) You may view this service information at FAA, Engine and Propeller Standards Branch, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA, 01803. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781–238–7759.

(5) You may view this service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email fedreg.legal@nara.gov, or go to: <https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

Issued on April 3, 2020.

Lance T. Gant,

Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Part 35

[Docket No. RM20–11–000; Order No. 869]

Reporting of Transmission Investments

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Final action.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) clarifies its filing instructions for form FERC–730. The Commission makes no modifications or amendments to the Code of Federal Regulations.

DATES: This final action is effective April 10, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laura Farkas, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-6060, laura.farkas@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Introduction**

1. By this instant final action, the Commission is amending form FERC-730, originally adopted in Order No. 679.¹ This form must be filed on an annual basis by public utilities that have been granted incentive rate treatment for transmission projects.² This instant final action does not amend or modify the text of the Code of Federal Regulations nor does it amend or modify the information collected by the form. This instant final action imposes no new reporting or other obligations on public utilities or on the public. Rather, at the request of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), this instant final action clarifies the instructions to the form, as explained below.

II. Background

2. On July 20, 2006, the Commission promulgated Order No. 679, which, pursuant to section 219 of the Federal Power Act (FPA),³ provides incentives for transmission infrastructure investment.⁴ The Commission determined that it needed to collect certain data in order to meet the objectives of section 219, thus, the Commission adopted the reporting requirement FERC-730.⁵ The form was included as an appendix to the rule,⁶ but the form itself was not codified in the Commission's regulations.⁷

III. Discussion

3. The Commission is amending form FERC-730 at the request of OMB,⁸ to ensure compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act and the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).⁹ Specifically, the Commission is clarifying the filing instructions. The Commission is not, however, changing

¹ *Promoting Transmission Investment through Pricing Reform*, Order No. 679, 71 FR 43294 (July 31, 2006), 116 FERC ¶ 61,057 at PP 367-76, app. A (2006), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 679-A, 72 FR 1152 (Jan. 10, 2007), 117 FERC ¶ 61,345 at PP 117-20 (2006).

² 18 CFR 35.35(h).

³ 16 U.S.C. 824.

⁴ Order No. 679, 116 FERC ¶ 61,057.

⁵ *Id.* P 78.

⁶ *Id.* at app. A.

⁷ See 18 CFR 35.35(h).

⁸ The three-year PRA renewal of FERC-730 was initiated in Docket No. IC19-15. FERC-730 was submitted to OMB on May 10, 2019 and is currently pending OMB review.

⁹ See generally 5 U.S.C. 500 *et seq.*; 44 U.S.C. 3501-21.

the data being collected. Public utilities subject to filing form FERC-730 will not be compelled to file new, additional, or different information.¹⁰ The frequency of filing will also remain unchanged.

4. Examples of changes to the instructions include inserting headers, incorporating instructions for eFiling, minor edits to make existing instructions clearer, and adding information about the PRA. These changes have no impact on the obligations of filers, but rather serve to improve the form and ensure compliance with Federal law. The revised form FERC-730 is attached to this Order. It will be posted in the Commission's eLibrary but will not be published in the **Federal Register** or Code of Federal Regulations.

IV. Information Collection Statement

5. OMB's regulations require approval of certain information collection requirements imposed by agency rules.¹¹ OMB has previously assigned this information collection OMB Control Number 1902-0239. The clarifications to the instructions in this order will be submitted to OMB to supplement the pending review and request for approval. Respondents subject to the filing requirements of this action will not be penalized for failing to respond to this collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Interested persons may obtain information on the reporting requirements by contacting: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426 [Attention: Ellen Brown, Office of the Executive Director, Phone: (202) 502-8663, email: ellen.brown@ferc.gov].

6. This instant final action results in no new, additional, or different public reporting burden. The public reporting burden will be the same as originally determined and discussed in Order No. 679.¹² This instant final action does not require public utilities to file new, additional, or different information, and it does not change the frequency with which they must file.

V. Environmental Analysis

7. The Commission is required to prepare an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement for any action that may have a significant adverse effect on the human environment.¹³ Issuance of this final

¹⁰ 18 CFR 35.35(h).

¹¹ 5 CFR 1320.13.

¹² Order No. 679, 116 FERC ¶ 61,057 at PP 406-07.

¹³ *Regulations Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969*, Order No. 486,

action does not represent a major Federal action having a significant adverse effect on the human environment under the Commission's regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. Part 380 of the Commission's regulations lists exemptions to the requirement to draft an Environmental Analysis or Environmental Impact Statement. Included is an exemption for rules that are clarifying, corrective, or procedural or that do not substantially change the effect of the regulations being amended.¹⁴ This rulemaking is exempt under that provision.

VI. Regulatory Flexibility Act

8. The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA)¹⁵ generally requires a description and analysis of final rules that will have significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This instant final action clarifies the instructions of form FERC-730, without creating any additional requirements for filers. The Commission certifies that it will not have a significant economic impact upon participants in Commission proceedings. An analysis under the RFA is therefore not required.

VII. Document Availability

9. In addition to publishing the instant final action without the form itself in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) and in Commission's Public Reference Room during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time) at 888 First Street NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426.

10. From the Commission's Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field.

11. User assistance is available for eLibrary and the Commission's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at (202) 502-6652 (toll free at 1-866-208-3676) or email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502-

52 FR 47897 (1987), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 30,783 (1987) (cross-referenced at 41 FERC ¶ 61,284).

¹⁴ 18 CFR 380.4(a)(2)(iii).

¹⁵ 5 U.S.C. 601-12.

8371, TTY (202) 502-8659. Email the Public Reference Room at public.referenceroom@ferc.gov.

VIII. Effective Date and Congressional Notification

12. The Commission is issuing this document as an instant final action without a period for public comment. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3), notice and comment procedures are unnecessary when the agency finds that notice and public procedure are impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest. This instant final action is such a rulemaking, as it merely clarifies the instructions of form FERC-730 to ensure

that they are unambiguous and comply with relevant federal law. This instant final action does not require public utilities to file new, additional, or different information, and it does not change the frequency with which they must file. This instant final action does not render a determination concerning the rights or interests of affected parties, and it will not significantly affect public utilities or the general public.

13. This action is effective April 10, 2020. The Commission requires public utilities that have been granted incentive rate treatment for transmission projects to file a Form 730 by April 18th of each year.¹⁶ The changes adopted in

this instant final action will be effective for the filings due April 18, 2020.

By the Commission.
Issued: March 19, 2020.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

Note: The following appendix will not appear in the Code of Federal Regulations.

Appendix A

OMB Control Number: 1902-0239
Expiration Date: 06/30/20XX
Annual Due Date: April 18
FERC-730, Report of Transmission Investment Activity
Company Name: _____

TABLE 1—ACTUAL AND PROJECTED ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION CAPITAL SPENDING

	Actual at December 31	Projected investment (incremental investment by year for each of the succeeding five calendar years)				
	20__	20__	20__	20__	20__	20__
Capital Spending On Electric Transmission Facilities (\$ Thousands) (1).						

Instructions for completing "Table 1: Actual and Projected Electric Transmission Capital Spending":

(1) Transmission facilities are defined to be transmission assets as specified in the Uniform System of Accounts in account numbers 350 through 359 (see, 18 CFR, Part 101, *Uniform System of Accounts Prescribed for Public Utilities and Licensees Subject to the Provisions of the Federal Power Act*, for account definitions). The Transmission Plant accounts include: Accounts 350 (Land and Land Rights), 351 (Energy Storage Equipment-Transmission), 352 (Structures and Improvements), 353 (Station Equipment), 354 (Towers and Fixtures), 355 (Poles and Fixtures), 356 (Overhead Conductors and Devices), 357 (Underground Conduit), 358 (Underground Conductors and Devices), and 359 (Roads and Trails).

TABLE 2—PROJECT DETAIL (1)

Project description (2)	Project type (3)	Expected project completion date (month/year)	Completion status (4)	Is project on schedule? (Y/N)	If project not on schedule, indicate reasons for delay (5)

Instructions for completing "Table 2: Project Detail":

(1) Respondents must list all projects included in Table 1 above, Actual and Projected Electric Transmission Capital Spending, excluding those projects with projected costs less than \$20 million. Respondents should add as many additional rows as are necessary to list all relevant projects.

(2) Respondents should include voltage level in the Project Description column.

(3) Respondents should select between the following Project Types to complete the Project Type column: New Build, Upgrade of Existing, Rebuild/Replacement, or Generator Direct Connection.

(4) Respondents should select between the following designations to complete the Completion Status column: Complete, Under Construction, Pre-Engineering, Planned, Proposed, and Conceptual.

(5) Respondents should select between the following delay designations to complete the Reasons for Delay column: Siting, Permitting, Construction, Delayed Completion of New Generator, or Other (specify).

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) requires us to inform you the information collected in the FERC-730 is necessary for the Commission to evaluate its incentive rates policies, and to demonstrate the effectiveness of these policies. Further, the FERC-730 filing requirement allows the Commission to track the progress of electric transmission projects granted incentive-based rates, providing an accurate assessment of the state of the industry with respect to transmission investment, and ensuring that

incentive rates are effective in encouraging the development of appropriate transmission infrastructure. Responses are mandatory. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Public reporting burden for reviewing the instructions, completing, and filling out this form is estimated to be 30 hours per response. This form has been assigned OMB Control Number 1902-0239. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other

aspect of this form to DataClearance@FERC.gov, or to the Office of the Executive Director, Information Clearance Officer, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE, Washington, DC 20426.

To file this form, respondents should follow the instructions for eFiling available at <https://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

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¹⁶ 18 CFR 35.35(h).