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The forms provide information concerning a company's financial and operational information. The forms contain schedules which include a basic set of financial statements: Comparative Balance Sheet, Statement of Income and Retained Earnings, Statement of Cash Flows, and the Statement of Comprehensive Income and Hedging Activities. Supporting schedules containing supplementary information are filed, including revenues and the related quantities of products sold or transported; account balances for various operating and maintenance expenses; selected plant cost data; and other information.

The information collected assists the Commission in the administration of its jurisdictional responsibilities and is used by Commission staff, state regulatory agencies, customers, financial analysts and others in the review of the financial condition of regulated companies. The information is also used in various rate proceedings, industry

analyses and in the Commission's audit programs and as appropriate, for the computation of annual charges. The information is made available to the public, interveners and all interested parties to assist in the proceedings before the Commission. For financial information to be useful to the Commission, it must be understandable, relevant, reliable and timely. The Form Nos. 2 and 2-A financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Commission's USofA and related regulations, and provide data that enables the Commission to develop and monitor cost-based rates, analyze costs of different services and classes of assets, and compare costs across lines of business. The use of the USofA permits natural gas companies to account for similar transactions and events in a consistent manner, and to communicate those results to the Commission on a periodic basis. Comparability of data and financial statement analysis for a particular entity from one period to the next, or between entities, within the

same industry, would be difficult to achieve if each company maintained its own accounting records using dissimilar accounting methods and classifications to record similar transactions and events.

In summary, without the information collected in the forms, it would be difficult for the Commission to ensure, as required by the NGA, that a pipeline's rates remain just and reasonable, respond to Congressional and outside inquiries, and make decisions in a timely manner.

On April 30, 2020, the Commission published a Notice in the **Federal Register** in Docket No. IC20-10-000 requesting public comments.<sup>3</sup> The Commission received no public comments.

**Type of Respondent:** Major and Non-Major Natural Gas Companies.

**Estimate of Annual Burden:**<sup>4</sup> The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden and cost<sup>5</sup> for the information collection as shown in the following table:

Information collection (FERC form No.)	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response	Total annual burden hours & cost <sup>6</sup>	Annual cost per respondent (\$)
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2 .....	100	1	100	1,671.66 hrs.; \$133,733 .....	167,166 hrs.; \$13,373,280 .....	\$133,733
2-A .....	81	1	81	296 hrs.; \$23,680 .....	23,976 hrs.; \$1,918,080 .....	23,680

**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: July 13, 2020.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

**[Docket No. CP16-13-000]**

### Equitans, L.P.; Notice of Request for Extension of Time

Take notice that on July 10, 2020, Equitans L.P. (Equitans) requested that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) grant an extension of time, until December 1, 2020, to complete the complete the

abandonment of the Pratt Compressor Station facilities located in Greene County, Pennsylvania, as authorized as part of the Equitans Expansion Project in the October 13, 2017 Order Issuing Certificates and Granting Abandonment<sup>1</sup> (October 13 Order).

On July 31, 2019, Equitans placed the Redhook Compressor Station and the H-305 and H-316 pipelines into service as part of the Project. On August 29, 2019, Equitans placed the M-80 and H-158 pipelines into service. The old Pratt Compressor Station facilities have since been decommissioned, dismantled, and are no longer available for service. The remaining Project facilities (Webster Interconnect, Mobley Tap, and H-319 Pipeline in Wetzel County, West Virginia) are complete and awaiting service. Equitans has not requested authorization to commence service on

<sup>3</sup> 85 FR 23954.

<sup>4</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 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

<sup>5</sup> The Commission staff believes the FERC FTE (full-time equivalent) average cost for wages plus benefits is representative of the corresponding cost for the industry respondents. Based upon the FERC's 2019 average cost for salary plus benefits, the average hourly cost is \$80/hour.

<sup>6</sup> Every figure in this column is rounded to the nearest dollar.

<sup>1</sup> *Equitans, L.P.*, 162 FERC ¶ 61,191 at P 5 (2018) (Granting Equitans' requested clarification that the Pratt Compressor Station facilities must be abandoned within one year of placing the Redhook Compressor Station into service).

those facilities because they are directly associated with natural gas deliveries to the Mountain Valley Pipeline Project.

On March 5, 2020, the Commission granted Equitans' request for a variance to abandon-in-place several existing facilities that were approved for removal at the Pratt Compressor Station in order to reduce ground disturbance. Specifically, the variance permits Equitans to abandon-in-place the H-117 pipeline receiver; the D-497 pipeline pig launcher and associated appurtenances; five buildings, including storage buildings, an office building, an electronics building, and the main water service building; a garage; and the foundation floor of the building housing the old Pratt compressor units.

Equitans has experienced delays related to extra safety precautions taken due to the age of the building and equipment, safeguards taken with removal of the compressor building to ensure safety in direct vicinity of remaining equipment at the station, and the inefficiencies directly related to the newly developed processes as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. To date, the following facilities remain to be removed from the site: (a) 2,200 linear feet of piping; (b) six vessels; (c) five coolers; (d) compressor building basement; and (e) five compressors. Thus, Equitans seeks additional time until December 1, 2020 to complete this work.

This notice establishes a 15-calendar day intervention and comment period deadline. Any person wishing to comment on Equitans' request for an extension of time may do so. No reply comments or answers will be considered. If you wish to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this request, you should, on or before the comment date stated below, file a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10).<sup>2</sup>

As a matter of practice, the Commission itself generally acts on requests for extensions of time to complete construction for Natural Gas Act facilities when such requests are contested before order issuance. For those extension requests that are contested,<sup>3</sup> the Commission will aim to issue an order acting on the request

<sup>2</sup> Only motions to intervene from entities that were party to the underlying proceeding will be accepted. *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 39 (2020).

<sup>3</sup> Contested proceedings are those where an intervenor disputes any material issue of the filing. 18 CFR 385.2201(c)(1) (2019).

within 45 days.<sup>4</sup> The Commission will address all arguments relating to whether the applicant has demonstrated there is good cause to grant the extension.<sup>5</sup> The Commission will not consider arguments that re-litigate the issuance of the certificate order, including whether the Commission properly found the project to be in the public convenience and necessity and whether the Commission's environmental analysis for the certificate complied with the National Environmental Policy Act.<sup>6</sup> At the time a pipeline requests an extension of time, orders on certificates of public convenience and necessity are final and the Commission will not re-litigate their issuance.<sup>7</sup> The OEP Director, or his or her designee, will act on all of those extension requests that are uncontested.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document 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>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov* or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFile" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on July 29, 2020.

<sup>4</sup> *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 40 (2020).

<sup>5</sup> *Id.* at P 40.

<sup>6</sup> Similarly, the Commission will not re-litigate the issuance of an NGA section 3 authorization, including whether a proposed project is not inconsistent with the public interest and whether the Commission's environmental analysis for the permit order complied with NEPA.

<sup>7</sup> *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 40 (2020).

Dated: July 14, 2020.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EC20-81-000.

*Applicants:* Fowler Ridge Wind Farm LLC.

*Description:* Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, et al. of Fowler Ridge Wind Farm LLC.

*Filed Date:* 7/13/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200713-5225.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/3/20.

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EG20-208-000.

*Applicants:* Reloj del Sol Wind Farm LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Reloj del Sol Wind Farm LLC.

*Filed Date:* 7/14/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200714-5029.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/4/20.

*Docket Numbers:* EG20-209-000.

*Applicants:* Wildcat Creek Wind Farm LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Wildcat Creek Wind Farm LLC.

*Filed Date:* 7/14/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200714-5030.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/4/20.

*Docket Numbers:* EG20-210-000.

*Applicants:* Copper Mountain Solar 5, LLC.

*Description:* Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status.

*Filed Date:* 7/14/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200714-5077.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/4/20.

*Docket Numbers:* EG20-211-000.

*Applicants:* Battle Mountain SP, LLC.

*Description:* Self-Certification of EG of Battle Mountain SP, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 7/14/20.

*Accession Number:* 20200714-5082.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/4/20.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings: