

public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Third Party Perjury Form.

OMB Control Number: 1880-0545.

Type of Review: An extension of a previously approved information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 62,000.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 31,000.

Abstract: This collection is necessary to certify the identity of individuals requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA). This certification is required under 5 U.S.C. Section 552a(b). The form is used by Privacy Act requesters to obtain personal records via regular mail, fax or email. The department will use the information to help identify first-party or third party requesters with same or similar name when requesting retrieval of their own documents.

Dated: September 30, 2020.

Stephanie Valentine,

PRA Coordinator, Strategic Collections and Clearance Governance and Strategy Division, Office of Chief Data Officer, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. PP-481-1]

Application To Amend Presidential Permit; CHPE, LLC

AGENCY: Office of Electricity, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: CHPE, LLC (the Applicant) has filed an application to amend Presidential Permit No. PP-481. CHPE, LLC is requesting the amendment to allow for certain modifications to the previously permitted route.

DATES: Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before November 4, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Comments or motions to intervene should be addressed to Christopher Lawrence, Christopher.Lawrence@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Lawrence (Program Office) at 202-586-5260 or by email to Christopher.Lawrence@hq.doe.gov, or Christopher Drake (Attorney-Adviser) at 202-586-2919 or by email to Christopher.Drake@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of facilities at the international border of the United States for the transmission of electric energy between the United States and a foreign country is prohibited in the absence of a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order (E.O.) 10485, as amended by E.O. 12038.

On September 25, 2020, CHPE, LLC filed an application with the Office of Electricity of the Department of Energy (DOE), as required by regulations at 10 CFR 205.320 *et seq.*, requesting that DOE amend Presidential Permit No. PP-481 to allow for changes in the route previously permitted.

On October 6, 2014, DOE issued Presidential Permit No. PP-362, authorizing Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc. (CHPEI) to construct, operate, maintain, and connect the Champlain Hudson Power Express Project (Project). As described in PP-362, the Project is a 1,000-megawatt (MW), high-voltage direct current (HVDC), underground and underwater merchant transmission system that will cross the United States-Canada international border underwater near the Town of Champlain, New York, extend approximately 336 miles south through New York State, and interconnect to facilities located in Queens County, New York, owned by the Consolidated Edison Company of

New York. The aquatic segments of the transmission line will primarily be buried in sediments of Lake Champlain and the Hudson, Harlem, and East rivers. The terrestrial portions of the transmission line will primarily be buried within existing road and railroad rights-of-way (ROW). On July 21, 2020, DOE issued Presidential Permit PP-481 transferring the facilities authorized in PP-362 to CHPE, LLC at the request of CHPEI and CHPE, LLC.

Since the issuance of PP-362 in 2014, the Applicant, in consultation with various stakeholders, has developed certain modifications to the permitted Project route, including relocating the site of the Project converter station. See Application of CHPE, LLC for Amendment to Presidential Permit (App.), at 3 (Sept. 25, 2020). The eight (8) proposed route modifications would lengthen the Project by approximately 5.1 linear miles, an increase of less than 2%. See *id.* The Applicant has also identified a construction method claimed to reduce environmental impacts. See *id.*

According to the Applicant, “[t]hese proposed changes are principally driven by engineering, environmental, and landowner/stakeholder considerations that have been identified as the Applicant has refined the design of the Project.” App. at 3. “Among other things,” the Applicant asserts that “the proposed changes would avoid shallow water related engineering challenges, reduce rock removal and wetland impacts, eliminate disruption to downtown activities within the City of Schenectady, forego reliance on an aging railroad bridge, accommodate community concerns, [and] avoid recently constructed infrastructure,” as well as “optimiz[e] the design of the converter station and the connection to existing electrical facilities.” *Id.* at 3-4.

Procedural Matters: Any person may comment on this application by filing such comment at the address provided above. Any person seeking to become a party to this proceeding must file a motion to intervene at the address provided above in accordance with Rule 214 of FERC’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214). Each comment or motion to intervene should be filed with DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning this application should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. PP-481-1. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Mr. Donald Jessome, Chief Executive Officer, Transmission Developers Inc., Pieter Schuyler Building, 600 Broadway, Albany, New York 12207-2283,

donald.jessome@transmissiondevelopers.com and Jay Ryan, Baker Botts LLP, 700 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20001, *jay.ryan@bakerbotts.com*.

Before a Presidential permit may be issued or amended, DOE must determine that the proposed action is in the public interest. In making that determination, DOE will consider the environmental impacts of the proposed action (*i.e.*, granting the Presidential permit or amendment, with any conditions and limitations, or denying the permit), determine the proposed project's impact on electric reliability by ascertaining whether the proposed project would adversely affect the operation of the U.S. electric power supply system under normal and contingency conditions, and weigh any other factors that DOE may also consider relevant to the public interest. DOE also must obtain the favorable recommendation of the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense before taking final action on a Presidential permit application.

This application may be reviewed or downloaded electronically at <http://energy.gov/oe/services/electricity-policy-coordination-and-implementation/international-electricity-regulation-2>. Upon reaching the home page, select "Pending Applications."

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 29, 2020.

Christopher Lawrence,
Management and Program Analyst,
Transmission Permitting and Technical Assistance, Office of Electricity.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Quantum Initiative Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the National Quantum Initiative Advisory Committee (NQIAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Tuesday, October 27, 2020; 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. PDT.

ADDRESSES: Virtual Meeting: Instructions to participate remotely will be posted on the National Quantum Initiative Advisory Committee website at: (<https://science.osti.gov/About/>

NQIAC) prior to the meeting and can also be obtained by contacting Karen Talamini, (301) 903-4563, or email: *NQIAC@science.doe.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Altaf Carim, Designated Federal Officer, NQIAC, (301) 903-9564 or email: *NQIAC@science.doe.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: The NQIAC has been established to provide advice and guidance on a continuing basis to the President, the Secretary of Energy, and the National Science and Technology Council Subcommittee on Quantum Information Science (QIS), the National Quantum Initiative (NQI) program, and on trends and developments in quantum information science and technology, in accordance with the National Quantum Initiative Act (Pub. L. 115-368) and Executive Order 13885.

Tentative Agenda: Member introductions; Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) expectations; Summary of NQI program and U.S. coordination history; National strategy for QIS; Agency updates on NQI program; Strategic imperatives and NQIAC activity.

Public Participation: It is the policy of the NQIAC to accept written public comments no longer than 5 pages and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The NQIAC expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. The public comment period for this meeting will take place on October 27, 2020, at a time specified in the meeting agenda. This public comment period is designed only for substantive commentary on NQIAC's work, not for business marketing purposes.

Oral Comments: To be considered for the public speaker list at the meeting, interested parties should register to speak at *NQIAC@science.doe.gov*, no later than 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on October 19, 2020. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person, with a total public comment period of up to 15 minutes. If more speakers register than there is space available on the agenda, NQIAC will select speakers on a first-come, first-served basis from those who applied. Those not able to present oral comments may always file written comments with the committee.

Written Comments: Although written comments are accepted continuously, written comments relevant to the subjects of the meeting should be

submitted to *NQIAC@science.doe.gov* no later than 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on October 19, 2020, so that the comments may be made available to the NQIAC members prior to this meeting for their consideration.

Please note that because NQIAC operates under the provisions of FACA, all public comments and related materials will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including being posted on the NQIAC website.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available on the National Quantum Initiative Advisory Committee website at: <https://science.osti.gov/About/NQIAC>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 29, 2020.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.
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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:

Docket Number: PR20-74-000.

Applicants: Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

Description: Tariff filing per 284.123(b),(e): COH Rates effective Aug 27 2020 to be effective 8/27/2020.

Filed Date: 9/28/2020.

Accession Number: 202009285036.

Comments/Protests Due: 5 p.m. ET 10/19/2020.

Docket Numbers: RP20-1225-000.

Applicants: Equitrans, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Agreements—BP Range—11/1/2020 to be effective 11/1/2020.

Filed Date: 9/28/20.

Accession Number: 20200928-5007.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/20.

Docket Numbers: RP20-1226-000.

Applicants: Equitrans, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Capacity Release Agreement—Eclipse—9/26/2020 to be effective 9/26/2020.

Filed Date: 9/28/20.

Accession Number: 20200928-5032.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 10/13/20.

Docket Numbers: RP20-1227-000.

Applicants: Wyoming Interstate Company, L.L.C.

Description: Compliance filing Operational Purchase and Sale Report.