

create or maintain documentation showing compliance, when appropriate, with each requirement of the Reliability Standard. This Reliability Standard CIP-014-2 has six requirements. Transmission owners and transmission operators must keep data or evidence to show compliance with the standard for

three years unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority. If a responsible entity is found non-compliant, it must keep information related to the non-compliance until mitigation is complete and approved, or for three years, whichever is longer.

*Type of Respondents:* Intrastate natural gas and Hinshaw pipelines.

*Estimate of Annual Burden<sup>2</sup> and Cost<sup>3</sup>:* The Commission estimates the total Public Reporting Burden for the FERC-725U information collection as:

### FERC-725U

[Mandatory reliability standards: Reliability standard CIP-014]

	Number of respondents <sup>4</sup> (1)	Annual number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden hours & cost per response (4)	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (3) * (4) = (5)	Average annual cost per respondent (5) ÷ (1)
Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping.	336	1	336	32.71 hrs.; \$2,714.93 ..	10,991 hrs.; \$912,253	\$2,714.93
Total FERC-725U	336	1	336	32.71 hrs.; \$2,714.93 ..	10,991 hrs.; \$912,253	\$2,714.93

*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.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**

Secretary.

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(Boyne River Project). The project is located on the Boyne River in Boyne Valley Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan. The project does not occupy federal land.

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, on November 24, 2020, Commission staff issued a notice that the project was ready for environmental analysis (REA notice). Based on the information in the record, including comments filed on the REA notice, staff does not anticipate that licensing the project would constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Therefore, staff intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) on the application to license the Boyne River Project.

The EA will be issued and circulated for review by all interested parties. All comments filed on the EA will be analyzed by staff and considered in the Commission's final licensing decision.

The application will be processed according to the following schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Commission issues EA .....	June 2021. <sup>1</sup>

Milestone	Target date
Comments on EA .....	July 2021.

<sup>1</sup> The Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) regulations under 40 CFR 1501.10(b)(1) require that EAs be completed within 1 year of the federal action agency's decision to prepare an EA. This notice establishes the Commission's intent to prepare an EA for the Boyne River Project. Therefore, in accordance with CEQ's regulations, the EA must be issued within 1 year of the issuance date of this notice.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Patrick Ely at [patrick.ely@ferc.gov](mailto:patrick.ely@ferc.gov) or (202) 502-8570.

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Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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### RTO/ISO Credit Principles and Practices; Credit Reforms in Organized Wholesale Electric Markets Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference

As first announced in the Notice of Technical Conference issued in this proceeding on November 4, 2020, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) will convene a staff-led technical conference in the above referenced proceeding on Thursday,

<sup>2</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>3</sup> Commission staff estimates that the industry's skill set and cost (for wages and benefits) for FERC-725U are approximately the same as the Commission's average cost. The FERC 2020 average salary plus benefits for one FERC full-time equivalent (FTE) is \$172,329/year (or \$83.00/hour).

<sup>4</sup> The total number of transmission owners and operators equals 336, this represents the unique US entities taken from October 2, 2020 NERC Compliance registry information.