DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, intends to extend for three years, an information collection request with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received by July 23, 2021. If you anticipate any difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section as soon as possible.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection request contains:

1. OMB No. 1910–5179;
3. Type of Review: Reinstatement;
4. Purpose: The rapidly changing nature of energy production, distribution, and consumption throughout the U.S. economy is having a dramatic impact on job creation and economic competitiveness, but is inadequately understood and, in some sectors, incompletely measured by traditional labor market sources. The U.S. Energy and Employment Report Survey will collect data from businesses in in-scope industries, quantifying and qualifying employment among energy activities, workforce demographics and the industry’s perception on the difficulty of recruiting qualified workers. The data will be used to generate an annual U.S. Energy and Employment Report;
5. Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 30,000;
6. Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 30,000;
7. Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 6,750;
8. Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: $0.


Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on June 10, 2021, by Carla Frisch, Director of the Office of Policy, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the Federal Register.

Signed in Washington, DC, on June 11, 2021,

Treena V. Garrett, Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.
distribution grid, and (5) cybersecurity challenges and needs associated with electrifying the transportation sector.

Specific questions can be found in the RFI. The RFI is available at: https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/.

Confidential Business Information: Pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.11, any person submitting information that he or she believes to be confidential and exempt by law from public disclosure should submit via email two well-marked copies: One copy of the document marked “confidential” including all the information believed to be confidential, and one copy of the document marked “non-confidential” with the information believed to be confidential deleted. Submit these documents via email. DOE will make its own determination about the confidential status of the information and treat it according to its determination.

Signing Authority: This document of the Department of Energy was signed on June 10, 2021, by David Howell, Acting Director, Vehicle Technologies Office, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the Federal Register.

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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 Numbers: RP21–893–000. Applicants: Enable Mississippi River Transmission, LLC. Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing—Negotiated Rate Filing—City of Red Bud 6.9.2021 to be effective 6/9/2021.


The filings are accessible in the Commission’s eLibrary system (https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmsws/search/fercgensearch.asp) by querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission’s Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free), For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: June 10, 2021.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Deputy Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 3273–000] Chittenden Falls Hydropower, Inc.; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

On May 31, 2019, Chittenden Falls Hydropower, Inc., licensee for the Chittenden Falls Hydroelectric Project No. 3273, filed an Application for a Subsequent License pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission’s regulations thereunder. The Chittenden Falls Hydroelectric Project is located on Kinderhook Creek, near the Town of Stockport, Columbia County, New York.

The license for Project No. 3273 was issued for a period ending May 31, 2021. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year-to-year an annual license to the then licensee(s) under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project’s prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 3273 is issued to Chittenden Falls Hydropower, Inc, for a period effective June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022 or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before May 31, 2022, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.16(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Chittenden Falls Hydropower, Inc. is authorized to continue operation of the Chittenden Falls Hydropower Project, until such time as the Commission acts on its application for a subsequent license.

Dated: June 10, 2021.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.