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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of Previously Approved Collection

**AGENCY:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (“PRA”), the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (“EAC”) gives notice that it is requesting from the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) an extension (without change) of its currently approved National Mail Voter Registration form (OMB Control No. 3265–0015). Section 9(a) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (“NVRA”) and Section 802 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (“HAVA”) requires the responsible agency to maintain a national mail voter registration form for U.S. citizens that want to register to vote, to update registration information due to a change of name, make a change of address or to register with a political party by returning the form to their state election office.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on November 12, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit written statements with respect to the National Mail Voter Registration form no later than 5 p.m. on November 12, 2021. Statements may be sent via email to [research@eac.gov](mailto:research@eac.gov) and via standard mail addressed to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 633 3rd Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nichelle Williams, Telephone: (202) 924–1312.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Persons wishing to register to vote may use the National Mail Voter Registration form (“Federal form” or “form”) to apply for voter registration. After completing the form, an applicant submits her/his form to their respective state election office for processing. States covered by the NVRA process the information from the form to register an applicant to vote.

Neither EAC nor any other Federal agency processes or collects any information from the Federal form that a registration applicant submits to a state. Rather, EAC prescribes the Federal form, and states collect and record the information applicants submit. The Federal form is composed of the registration application, instructions for completing the application (General Instructions and Application Instructions), and state-specific instructions that identify each state’s particular requirements. A copy of the current form in English and 14 additional translated languages is available on EAC’s website, at <https://www.eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form>.

**Affected Public (Respondents):** U.S. citizens eligible to vote in jurisdictions that accept and use the National Mail Voter Registration form.

**Number of Respondents:** 2,500,000.

**Responses per Respondent:** 1.

**Estimated Burden per Response:** 0.12 hours per response.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 291,667 hours annualized.

**Frequency:** Annually.

**Comments:** Public 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 information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Obtaining a Copy of the National Mail Voter Registration Form:** To obtain a free copy of the registration form: (1) Download a copy at <https://www.eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form>; or (2) write to the EAC (including your address and phone number) at U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 633 3rd Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20001, *Attn:* National Mail Voter Registration Form.

**Nichelle Williams,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RM20–10–000; AD19–19–000]

### Electric Transmission Incentives Policy Under Section 219 of the Federal Power Act; Second Supplemental Notice of Workshop

As announced in the Notice of Workshop issued on April 15, 2021, and in the Supplemental Notice of Workshop issued on August 13, 2021, in the above-referenced proceedings, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff will convene a workshop to discuss certain shared savings incentive approaches that may foster deployment of transmission technologies. The workshop will be held on Friday, September 10, 2021, from approximately 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time. The workshop will be held virtually via WebEx. Commissioners may attend and participate.

Transmission technologies, as deployed in certain circumstances, may enhance reliability, efficiency, and capacity, and improve the operation of new or existing transmission facilities. The workshop will discuss issues related to shared savings approaches<sup>1</sup> for transmission technologies seeking incentives under Federal Power Act section 219.<sup>2</sup> The workshop will focus on how to calculate *ex ante* and *ex post* benefit analyses for transmission technologies seeking incentives. Specifically, the workshop will explore the maturity of the modeling approaches for various transmission technologies; the data needed to study the benefits/costs of such technologies; issues pertaining to access to or confidentiality of this data; the time horizons that should be considered for such studies; and other issues related to verifying forecasted benefits. The workshop may also discuss other issues, including whether and how to account for circumstances in which benefits do not materialize as anticipated.

Attached to this Supplemental Notice is an updated agenda for the workshop, which includes the final workshop program and speakers. The workshop will be open for the public to attend virtually. Information on the workshop will also be posted on the Calendar of Events on the Commission’s website, <http://www.ferc.gov>, prior to the event. The workshop will be transcribed.

<sup>1</sup> See, e.g., WATT Coalition and Advanced Energy Economy September 3, 2021 Comments.

<sup>2</sup> 16 U.S.C. 824s(b)(3).

Transcripts of the workshop will be available for a fee from Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. (202-347-3700).

For more information about this workshop, please contact David Borden, 202-502-8734, [david.borden@ferc.gov](mailto:david.borden@ferc.gov) or Samin Peirovi, 202-502-8080, [samin.peirovi@ferc.gov](mailto:samin.peirovi@ferc.gov) for technical questions; Meghan O'Brien, 202-502-6137, [meghan.o'brien@ferc.gov](mailto:meghan.o'brien@ferc.gov) for legal questions; and Sarah McKinley, 202-502-8368, [sarah.mckinley@ferc.gov](mailto:sarah.mckinley@ferc.gov) for logistical issues.

Dated: September 9, 2021.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC21-32-000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities; FERC-917 & FERC-918; Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the information collections, FERC-917 (Electric Transmission Facilities) and FERC-918 (Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities), which will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a review of the information collection requirements.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due October 15, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments on FERC-917 and/or FERC-918) to OMB through [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Please identify the OMB Control Number (1902-0233) in the subject line of your comments. Comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain).

Please submit copies of your comments to the Commission. You may submit copies of your comments (identified by Docket No. IC21-32-000) by one of the following methods:

Electronic filing through <http://www.ferc.gov>, is preferred.

- *Electronic Filing:* Documents must be filed in acceptable native applications and print-to-PDF, but not in scanned or picture format.

- For those unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery.

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service Only:* Addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- *Hand (including courier) Delivery:* Deliver to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Instructions:* OMB submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Using the search function under the "Currently Under Review" field, select Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; click "submit," and select "comment" to the right of the subject collection.

*FERC submissions* must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov>. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free).

*Docket:* Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), telephone at (202) 502-8663.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* FERC-917, Electric Transmission Facilities and FERC-918, Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities.

*OMB Control No.:* 1902-0233.

*Type of Request:* Three-year extension of the FERC-917 and FERC-918 information collection requirements with no changes to the reporting requirements.

*Type of Respondents:* Public utilities transmission providers.

*Abstract:* On February 17, 2007, the Commission issued Order No. 890<sup>1</sup> to address and remedy opportunities for undue discrimination under the *pro forma* Open Access Transmission Tariff

<sup>1</sup> Order No. 890, *Preventing Undue Discrimination and Preference in Transmission Service*, 18 FERC ¶ 31,096 (2007), 72 FR 12,266 (2007).

(OATT) adopted in 1996 by Order No. 888.<sup>2</sup> Through Order No. 890, the Commission:

1. Adopted *pro forma* OATT provisions necessary to keep imbalance charges closely related to incremental costs.

2. Increased nondiscriminatory access to the grid by requiring public utilities, working through the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), to develop consistent methodologies for available transfer capability (ATC) calculation and to publish those methodologies to increase transparency.

3. Required an open, transparent, and coordinated transmission planning process thereby increasing the ability of customers to access new generating resources and promote efficient utilization of transmission.

4. Gave the right to customers to request from transmission providers, studies addressing congestion and/or integration of new resource loads in areas of the transmission system where they have encountered transmission problems due to congestion or where they believe upgrades and other investments may be necessary to reduce congestion and to integrate new resources.

5. Required both the transmission provider's merchant function and network customers to include a statement with each application for network service or to designate a new network resource that attests, for each network resource identified, that the transmission customer owns or has committed to purchase the designated network resource and the designated network resource complies with the requirements for designated network resources. The network customer includes this attestation in the customer's comment section of the request when it confirms the request on the Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS).

6. Required with regard to capacity reassignment that: (a) All sales or assignments of capacity be conducted through or otherwise posted on the transmission provider's OASIS on or before the date the reassigned service

<sup>2</sup> *Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities; Recovery of Stranded Costs by Public Utilities and Transmitting Utilities*, Order No. 888, 61 FR 21540 (May 10, 1996), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 (1996), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-A, 62 FR 12274 (Mar. 14, 1997), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,048 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-B, 81 FERC ¶ 61,248 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-C, 82 FERC ¶ 61,046 (1998), *aff'd in relevant part sub nom. Transmission Access Policy Study Group v. FERC*, 225 F.3d 667 (D.C. Cir. 2000), *aff'd sub nom. New York v. FERC*, 535 U.S. 1 (2002).