

**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 and Accounting Request filings:

**Filings Instituting Proceedings**

*Docket Numbers:* AC26–33–000.  
*Applicants:* Garden Banks Gas Pipeline, LLC.  
*Description:* Garden Banks Gas Pipeline, LLC submits proposed journal entries and request to use Account 439 to make prior period adjustments.  
*Filed Date:* 3/26/26.  
*Accession Number:* 20260326–5099.  
*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/2/26.  
*Docket Numbers:* RP26–677–000.  
*Applicants:* Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC.  
*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing; Negotiated Rate Agreements—Various Shippers March 25 2026 to be effective 4/1/2026.  
*Filed Date:* 3/25/26.  
*Accession Number:* 20260325–5145.  
*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/6/26.  
*Docket Numbers:* RP26–678–000.  
*Applicants:* Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage, Inc.  
*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing; EGTS—26.03.26 Negotiated Agreements to be effective 4/1/2026.  
*Filed Date:* 3/26/26.  
*Accession Number:* 20260326–5035.  
*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/7/26.

Any person desiring to intervene, to protest, or to answer a complaint in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211, 214, or 206 of the Commission’s Regulations (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214, or 385.206) 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.

**Filings in Existing Proceedings**

*Docket Numbers:* PR26–31–001.

*Applicants:* Wisconsin Power and Light Company.

*Description:* § 284.123(g) Rate Filing; Revisions to Statement of Operating Conditions to be effective 2/1/2026.

*Filed Date:* 3/25/26.

*Accession Number:* 20260325–5133.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/15/26.

*Docket Numbers:* RP26–636–001.

*Applicants:* Equitrans, L.P.

*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Name Change of HG Energy to Antero 5/1/2026 to be effective 5/1/2026.

*Filed Date:* 3/26/26.

*Accession Number:* 20260326–5003.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/7/26.

Any person desiring to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission’s Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

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

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.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502–6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

Dated: March 26, 2026.

**Carlos D. Clay,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[DA 26–266; FR ID 337543]

**Notice Debarment; Federal E-Rate Program**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Enforcement Bureau (the “Bureau”) debars Simon Goldbrener from the federal schools and libraries universal service support mechanism (E-Rate program) and all federal universal service support mechanisms for three years.

**DATES:** Debarment commences on the date Mr. Goldbrener receives the debarment letter or March 31, 2026, whichever date comes first, and will continue for three years.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and Hearings Division, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher Sova, Federal Communications Commission, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and Hearings Division, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554. Christopher Sova may be contacted by phone at (202) 418–1868 or by email at [Christopher.Sova@fcc.gov](mailto:Christopher.Sova@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Bureau debars Mr. Goldbrener from the E-Rate program and all federal universal service support mechanisms for three years pursuant to 47 CFR 54.8. Attached is the debarment letter, DA 26–266, which was mailed to Mr. Goldbrener and released on March 31, 2026. The complete text of the notice of debarment is available on the FCC’s website at <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-26-266A1.pdf>.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Christopher Sova,**

*Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau.*

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## Federal Communications Commission

Enforcement Bureau  
Investigations and Hearings Division  
45 L Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20554

March 20, 2026

DA 26-266

### SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Simon Goldbrener  
c/o Jacob Laufer, Esq.  
Jacob Laufer, P.C.  
65 Broadway, Suite 1005  
New York, NY 1006-2553

**Re: Notice of Debarment, File No. EB-IHD-24-00036788**

Dear Mr. Goldbrener:

The Enforcement Bureau (Bureau) of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) hereby notifies you that, pursuant to section 54.8 of the Commission's rules, you are prohibited from participating in activities associated with or related to the federal schools and libraries universal service support mechanism (E-Rate program) and any other program funded by federal universal service support mechanisms for three years, commencing on either the date of your receipt of this Notice of Debarment or of its publication in the Federal Register, whichever comes first (Debarment Date).<sup>1</sup>

On April 16, 2025, the Bureau sent you a notice of suspension and initiation of debarment proceeding (*Notice of Suspension*) that was published in the Federal Register on April 30, 2025.<sup>2</sup> The *Notice of Suspension* suspended you from participating in or receiving any benefit associated with the E-Rate program as well as any other program funded by federal universal service support mechanisms.<sup>3</sup> It

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<sup>1</sup> 47 CFR 54.8 (e), (g); 47 CFR 0.111 (delegating to the Bureau authority to resolve universal service suspension and debarment proceedings). In 2007, the Commission extended the debarment rules to apply to all federal universal service support mechanisms, including the E-Rate program. See *Comprehensive Review of the Universal Service Fund Management, Administration, & Oversight*, Report and Order, 22 FCC Rcd 16372, 16410-12 (2007) (*Program Management Order*) (renumbering Section 54.521 of the universal service debarment rules as Section 54.8 and amending subsections (a)(1), (a)(5), (c), (d), (e)(2)(i), (e)(3), (e)(4), and (g)).

<sup>2</sup> Letter from Christopher J. Sova, Acting Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, FCC Enforcement Bureau, to Simon Goldbrener, Notice of Suspension and Initiation of Debarment Proceeding; 90 Fed. Reg. 17927 (April 30, 2025) (*Notice of Suspension*).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*

also described the basis for initiating the debarment proceeding against you, the applicable debarment procedures, and the effect of debarment.<sup>4</sup>

As discussed in the *Notice of Suspension*, on February 3, 2020, you pleaded guilty to a wire fraud conspiracy that involved knowingly and willingly devising a scheme to obtain money from the E-Rate program fraudulently.<sup>5</sup> This scheme resulted in the fraudulent award of more than \$14 million paid to corporations which in turn paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to you and your co-conspirators for participating in the scheme.<sup>6</sup> You enriched yourself at the expense of the underprivileged children the program was designed to serve by causing the disbursement of millions of dollars for services and equipment that were not provided.<sup>7</sup> Pursuant to section 54.8(c) of the Commission's rules, your conviction of criminal conduct in connection with the E-Rate program is the basis for this debarment.<sup>8</sup>

In accordance with the Commission's debarment rules, you were required to file with the Commission any opposition to the suspension or its scope, or to the proposed debarment or its scope, no later than 30 calendar days from either the date of your receipt of the *Notice of Suspension* or of its publication in the Federal Register, whichever date occurred first.<sup>9</sup> The Commission received no opposition.

For the above reasons, you are debarred from involvement with the E-Rate program for three years from the Debarment Date.<sup>10</sup> During this debarment period, you are excluded from participating in any activities associated with or related to the E-Rate program and any other program funded by federal universal service support mechanisms, including the receipt of funds or discounted services through the E-Rate program, or consulting with, assisting, or advising applicants or service providers regarding the E-Rate program.<sup>11</sup>

Sincerely yours,

Christopher J. Sova  
Chief  
Investigations and Hearings Division  
Enforcement Bureau

cc: Fred Theobald, Universal Service Administrative Company (via e-mail)

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<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

<sup>5</sup> See *United States v. Goldbrener et al.*, Case No. 7:18-cr-00614, Judgment in a Criminal Case (S.D.N.Y., filed Dec. 13, 2022) (detailing Simon Goldbrener's plea agreement with the government); see also *Notice of Suspension*.

<sup>6</sup> See *United States v. Goldbrener et al.*, Case No. 7:18-cr-00614, Indictment (S.D.N.Y., filed Aug. 27, 2018).

<sup>7</sup> *Notice of Suspension*.

<sup>8</sup> 47 CFR 54.8(c).

<sup>9</sup> *Id.* 54.8 (e)(3)–(4). Any opposition had to be filed no later than May 30, 2025.

<sup>10</sup> 47 CFR 54.8(g).

<sup>11</sup> 47 CFR 54.8(a)(1), (d), (g).

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[FR ID 338223]

**Sunshine Act Meetings; Deletion of Item From March 26, 2026 Open Meeting**

March 26, 2026.

The following item was adopted by the Commission on March 25, 2026 and

deleted from the list of items scheduled for consideration at the March 26, 2026, Open Meeting. The item was previously listed in the Commission's Sunshine Notice on Thursday, March 19, 2026.

Item No.	Bureau	Subject
6 .....	MEDIA .....	<p><i>Title:</i> Amendment of Parts 1, 73, 74 and 76 of the Commission's Rules to Update Rules Applicable to Broadcast Stations (MB Docket No. 24-626); Delete, Delete, Delete (GN Docket No. 25-133)  <i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Report and Order to update rules for broadcast radio and television stations to reflect current application processing requirements, clarify and harmonize provisions, and remove references to outdated procedures and legacy filing systems.</p>

*Authority:* This meeting is held, in accordance with the Government in the Sunshine Act (Sunshine Act), Public Law 94-409, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552b).

Federal Communications Commission

**Marlene Dortch**

Secretary.

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[OMB 3060-0161; FR ID 338222]

**Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated

collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before June 1, 2026. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email *PRA@fcc.gov* and to *Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov*.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information about the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the PRA of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the FCC invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize

the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0161.

*Title:* Section 73.61, AM Directional Antenna Field Strength Measurements.  
*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business and other for-profit entities.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 1,904 respondents and 1,904 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 4-50 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* Recordkeeping requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 30,124 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* None.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in Sections 154(i) and 303 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirements contained in 47 CFR 73.61 require that each AM station using directional antennas to make field strength measurement as often as necessary to ensure proper directional antenna system operation. Stations not having approved sampling systems make field strength measurements every three months. Stations with approved sampling systems must take field strength measurements as often as necessary. Also, all AM stations using directional signals must take partial proofs of performance as often as necessary. The FCC staff used the data in field inspections/investigations. AM