

regulations,⁴ and must be submitted by the protest deadline, which is January 31, 2023. A protest may also serve as a motion to intervene so long as the protestor states it also seeks to be an intervenor.

Interventions

Any person has the option to file a motion to intervene in this proceeding. Only intervenors have the right to request rehearing of Commission orders issued in this proceeding and to subsequently challenge the Commission's orders in the U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeal.

To intervene, you must submit a motion to intervene to the Commission in accordance with Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure⁵ and the regulations under the NGA⁶ by the intervention deadline for the project, which is January 31, 2023. As described further in Rule 214, your motion to intervene must state, to the extent known, your position regarding the proceeding, as well as your interest in the proceeding. For an individual, this could include your status as a landowner, ratepayer, resident of an impacted community, or recreationist. You do not need to have property directly impacted by the project in order to intervene. For more information about motions to intervene, refer to the FERC website at <https://www.ferc.gov/how-guides>.

All timely, unopposed motions to intervene are automatically granted by operation of Rule 214(c)(1). Motions to intervene that are filed after the intervention deadline are untimely and may be denied. Any late-filed motion to intervene must show good cause for being late and must explain why the time limitation should be waived and provide justification by reference to factors set forth in Rule 214(d) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies (paper or electronic) of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties.

Comments

Any person wishing to comment on the project may do so. The Commission considers all comments received about the project in determining the appropriate action to be taken. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please submit your comments on or before January 31,

2023. The filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. To become a party, you must intervene in the proceeding.

How To File Protests, Interventions, and Comments

There are two ways to submit protests, motions to intervene, and comments. In both instances, please reference the Project docket number CP23–19–000 in your submission.

(1) You may file your protest, motion to intervene, and comments by using the Commission's eFiling feature, which is located on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making; first select "General" and then select "Protest", "Intervention", or "Comment on a Filing"; or⁷

(2) You can file a paper copy of your submission by mailing it to the address below. Your submission must reference the Project docket number CP23–19–000.

To mail via USPS, use the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426

To deliver via any other courier, use the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852

The Commission encourages electronic filing of submissions (option 1 above) and has eFiling staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov.

Protests and motions to intervene must be served on the applicant either by mail or email (with a link to the document) at: Margaret Sroka, Senior Attorney, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation, 6363 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221; or email at sroka@natfuel.com. Any subsequent submissions by an intervenor must be served on the applicant and all other parties to the proceeding. Contact information for parties can be downloaded from the service list at the eService link on FERC Online.

⁷ Additionally, you may file your comments electronically by using the eComment feature, which is located on the Commission's website at www.ferc.gov under the link to Documents and Filings. Using eComment is an easy method for interested persons to submit brief, text-only comments on a project.

Tracking the Proceeding

Throughout the proceeding, additional information about the project will be available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208–FERC, or on the FERC website at www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link as described above. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. For more information and to register, go to <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview>.

Dated: December 2, 2022.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RD22–4–000]

Notice of Staff Attendance at the ReliabilityFirst Annual Meeting of the Members and the ReliabilityFirst Board of Directors Meeting

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of the Commission staff may attend the following meetings:

The ReliabilityFirst Annual Meeting of the Members, The Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202, December 8, 2022 (9 a.m.–10:30 a.m. eastern time), and

The ReliabilityFirst Board of Directors Meeting, The Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202, December 8, 2022 (10:30 a.m.–1 p.m. eastern time).

Further information regarding these meetings may be found at: <https://rfirst.org/about/Pages/Upcoming-Events.aspx>.

The discussions at the meetings, which are open to the public, may address matters at issue in the following Commission proceeding:

Docket No. RD22–4–000—Registration of Inverter-Based Resources

⁴ 18 CFR 157.205(e).

⁵ 18 CFR 385.214.

⁶ 18 CFR 157.10.

For further information, please contact Jonathan First, 202–502–8529, or jonathan.first@ferc.gov.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC22–35–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–725J); 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 currently approved information collection, FERC–725J (Definition of the Bulk Electric System), which will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The Commission published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** on September 28, 2022 and received no comments on the 60-day notice.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due January 9, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC 725J to OMB through www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Please identify the OMB Control Number 1902–0259 (Definition of the Bulk Electric System) in the subject line. Your comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

¹ *Revisions to Electric Reliability Organization Definition of Bulk Electric System and Rules of Procedure*, Order No. 773, 141 FERC ¶ 61,236 (2012); *order on reh'g*, Order No. 773–A, 143 FERC ¶ 61,053 (2013); *order on reh'g and clarification*, 144 FERC ¶ 61,174 (2013); *aff'd sub nom.*, *People of the State of New York and the Pub. Serv. Comm'n of New York v. FERC*, No. 13–2316 (2d. Cir. 2015). On June 13, 2013, the Commission granted NERC's request for extension of time and extended the effective date for the revised definition of bulk electric system and the Rules of Procedure exception process to July 1, 2014. *Revisions to Electric Reliability Organization Definition of Bulk Electric System and Rules of Procedure*, 143 FERC ¶ 61,231, at P 13 (2013). On March 20, 2014, the Commission approved NERC's revisions to the definition of bulk electric system and determined the revisions either adequately

Please submit copies of your comments (identified by Docket No. IC22–35–000 and the form) to the Commission as noted below. Electronic filing through <https://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* to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Please reference the specific collection number(s) and/or title(s) in your comments.

Instructions: OMB submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: 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: <https://www.ferc.gov>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at 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>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov and telephone at (202) 502–8663.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

address the Commission's Order Nos. 773 and 773–A directives or provide an equally effective and efficient approach. See *order approving revised definition*, 146 FERC ¶ 61,199 (2014).

² 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. See 5 CFR 1320 for additional information on the definition of information collection burden.

³ The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) is based on the figures for August 2022 posted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Utilities sector (available at Sector 22—Utilities—May 2021 OEWS Industry-Specific Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates ([bls.gov](https://www.bls.gov))) and updated June 2022 for benefits information (at Employer Costs for Employee Compensation Summary—2022 Q01

Title: FERC–725J (Definition of the Bulk Electric System).

OMB Control No.: 1902–0259.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC–725J with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: On December 20, 2012, the Commission issued Order No. 773, a Final Rule approving NERC's modifications to the definition of “bulk electric system” and the Rules of Procedure exception process to be effective July 1, 2013. On April 18, 2013, in Order No. 773–A, the Commission largely affirmed its findings in Order No. 773. In Order Nos. 773 and 773–A, the Commission directed NERC to modify the definition of bulk electric system in two respects: (1) modify the local network exclusion (exclusion E3) to remove the 100 kV minimum operating voltage to allow systems that include one or more looped configurations connected below 100 kV to be eligible for the local network exclusion; and (2) modify the exclusions to ensure that generator interconnection facilities at or above 100 kV connected to bulk electric system generators identified in inclusion I2 are not excluded from the bulk electric system.¹ Each year the Regions and NERC may need to act on exception requests submitted by U.S. only transmission owners, generator owners and distribution providers. We have revised the estimate for exception requests from 20 exception requests to 10, which is more accurate to the volume of received exception requests. Regarding Implementation Plans and Compliance, FERC estimates that 10% of the U.S. registered entities may have to perform this task on a continuing basis.

Type of Respondents: Generator owners, distribution providers, other NERC-registered entities.

*Estimate of Annual Burden.*² The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden and cost³ for the information collection as:

Results ([bls.gov](https://www.bls.gov)). The hourly estimates for salary plus benefits are:

—Legal (code 23–0000), \$145.35

—File Clerks (code 43–4071), \$34.38

—Electrical Engineer (code 17–2071), \$77.02

The average hourly burden cost for this collection is \$85.58 [(\$145.35 + \$34.38 + \$77.02)/3 = \$85.58] and is rounded to \$86.00 an hour.