

• Form EIA-930 *Balancing Authority Operations Report* collects a comprehensive set of the current day's system demand data on an hourly basis and the prior day's basic hourly electric system operating data on a daily basis. The data provide a basic measure of the current status of electric systems in the United States and can be used to compare actual system demand with the day-ahead forecast, thereby providing a measure of the accuracy of the forecasting used to commit resources. In addition, the data can be used to address smart grid related issues such as integrating wind and solar generation, improving the coordination of natural gas and electric short-term operations and expanding the use of demand response, storage, and electric vehicles in electric systems operations.

(4a) *Changes to Information Collection:*

Form EIA-411

EIA is discontinuing Form EIA-411.

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 19,789:

Form EIA-63B has 55 respondents;
Form EIA-860 has 4,757 respondents;
Form EIA-860M has 312 respondents;
Form EIA-861 has 1,675 respondents;
Form EIA-861S has 1,730 respondents;

Form EIA-861M has 620 respondents;
Form EIA-923 has 10,575 respondents;

Form EIA-930 has 65 respondents.

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 75,206.

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 170,041 hours.

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$13,351,619 (170,041 burden hours times \$78.52 per hour). EIA estimates that there are no additional costs to respondents associated with the surveys other than the costs associated with the burden hours.

Statutory Authority: 15 U.S.C. 772(b) and 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*

Signed in Washington, DC, on December 17, 2019.

Nanda Srinivasan,

Director, Office of Statistical Methods and Research, U.S. Energy Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER19-456-003.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: Compliance filing: Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative Formula Rate Compliance Filing to be effective 2/1/2019.

Filed Date: 12/26/19.

Accession Number: 20191226-5028.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/16/20.

Docket Numbers: ER20-683-000.

Applicants: Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Tri-State Wholesale Electric Service Contracts to be effective 3/20/2020.

Filed Date: 12/26/19.

Accession Number: 20191226-5000.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/16/20.

Docket Numbers: ER20-684-000.

Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019-12-26 SA 3176 NSP-NSP 1st Rev GIA (J460) to be effective 12/10/2019.

Filed Date: 12/26/19.

Accession Number: 20191226-5033.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/16/20.

Docket Numbers: ER20-685-000.

Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2019-12-26 SA 1634 ITC Midwest-Jeffers Wind 20 2nd Rev GIA (G442) to be effective 12/11/2019.

Filed Date: 12/26/19.

Accession Number: 20191226-5112.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/16/20.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or 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: December 26, 2019.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

Prohibited communications are included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently