

minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. The Department is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Evaluating the Impact of the Professional Learning Community: Emergent Literacy (PLC–EL).

OMB Control Number: 1850–NEW.

Type of Review: A new ICR.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals and Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 1,726.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 3,156.

Abstract: The current authorization for the Regional Educational Laboratories (REL) program is under the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, Part D, Section 174, (20 U.S.C. 9564), administered by the Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences (IES), National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance (NCEE). The goal of the REL program is to partner with educators and policymakers to conduct work that is change-oriented and supports meaningful local, regional, or state decisions about education policies, programs, and practices to improve outcomes for students.

School readiness, particularly language and literacy readiness, in South Carolina (SC) remains a high-leverage need. This need is reflected in the state's Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA). The KRA measures four domains of learning and development, including language and literacy. Demonstrating readiness occurs when students show the foundational skills and behaviors that prepare them for instruction based on kindergarten standards. In 2020/21 Modified KRA scores in SC revealed that only 27 percent of incoming kindergartners

demonstrated readiness (South Carolina Education Oversight Committee, 2021). Achievement gaps were also observed, with 17 percent of African American kindergartners and 13 percent of Hispanic kindergartners meeting the demonstrating readiness mark, compared to 35 percent of White students. There is a clear need to improve equity in learning opportunities and in school readiness outcomes among SC children. Members of the SC research partnership have identified teacher professional development (PD) in language and literacy as a critical component to improving the quality of early learning and are specifically interested in understanding the effectiveness of and the facilitators and barriers to implementation of the Professional Learning Community: Emergent Literacy (PLC–EL; Kosanovich et al., 2020).

The purpose of this study is to understand the impact of the PLC–EL program on preschool teachers' knowledge, practice, and student achievement in print knowledge, phonological awareness, oral language, and vocabulary. In addition, this study will identify factors that influence program effectiveness and the facilitators and barriers of effective implementation that inform scale-up initiatives across the state. This study will use a randomized controlled trial design to help ensure that—all else equal—this study will yield the strongest, most reliable evidence possible on which to base policy and practice. The study sample will include approximately 100 preschool centers across SC, 2,940 students, 226 preschool teachers, 25 PLC–EL Facilitators, center leaders, and a subset of district and state education leaders.

The study findings will help the Office of Early Learning & Literacy (OELL) at SCDE meet its goals of improving equitable access to high-quality PD for educators and equitable access to high-quality instruction for students by training facilitators to implement the PLC–EL in a large sample of preschool centers in four separate regions of the state. In addition, the study findings will provide the OELL at SCDE with actionable information about facilitators and barriers to implementation that can be used to inform scale-up initiatives across the state.

Dated: November 17, 2022.

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

AGENCY: U.S. Election Assistance Commission

ACTION: Sunshine Act Notice; notice of public meeting agenda.

SUMMARY: Public Meeting: U.S. Election Assistance Commission Local Leadership Council Meeting.

DATES: Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m. Eastern.

ADDRESSES: Virtual via Zoom.

The meeting is open to the public and will be livestreamed on the U.S. Election Assistance Commission YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpN6i0g2rlF4ITWhwvBwwZw>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose: In accordance with the Government in the Sunshine Act (Sunshine Act), Public Law 94–409, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552b), the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) will conduct a virtual meeting of the EAC Local Leadership Council.

Agenda: The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) Local Leadership Council will discuss the organizational structure and consider the adoption of the initial committee Bylaws. The Bylaws serve to establish the guidelines for the conduct of the Local Leadership Council members, meetings, and subcommittees. The Bylaws cover several topics including the process for calling and conducting meetings, establishment of committees, the structure of the Executive Committee, the makeup of Regional Committees, and the process of holding elections.

Background: The Local Leadership Council was established in June 2021 under agency authority pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The Advisory Committee is governed by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees. The

Advisory Committee advises the EAC on how best to fulfill the EAC's statutory duties set forth in 52 U.S.C. 20922 as well as such other matters as the EAC determines. It shall provide a relevant and comprehensive source of expert, unbiased analysis and recommendations to the EAC on local election administration topics.

The Local Leadership Council consists of 100 members. The Election Assistance Commission appoints two members from each state after soliciting nominations from each state's election official professional association. At the time of submission, the Local Leadership Council has 85 appointed members. Upon appointment, Advisory Committee members must be serving or have previously served in a leadership role in a state election official professional association. The full agenda will be posted in advance on the EAC website: <https://www.eac.gov>.

Status: This meeting will be open to the public.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

[BPA File No.: TC-24]

Proposed Modifications To Open Access Transmission Tariff; Public Hearing and Opportunities for Public Review and Comment

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of public hearing and opportunity to review and comment.

SUMMARY: Bonneville is initiating a proceeding pursuant to Bonneville's open access transmission tariff (Tariff) and the Federal Power Act to modify the non-rate terms and conditions for transmission, ancillary, and generator interconnection services in Bonneville's Tariff, to be effective on October 1, 2023. Bonneville has designated this proceeding Docket No. TC-24.

DATES:

Prehearing Conference: The TC-24 tariff proceeding will begin with a prehearing conference, which will be held via telephone on Friday, December 2, 2022.

Intervention: Anyone intending to become a party to the TC-24 tariff proceeding must file a petition to

intervene on Bonneville's secure website. Petitions to intervene may be filed beginning on the date of publication of this Notice and are due no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may obtain call-in information by accessing Bonneville's TC-24 tariff proceeding web page at <https://www.bpa.gov/goto/tc24> or by contacting the Hearing Clerk at TC24clerk@gmail.com. The TC-24 prehearing conference will begin immediately following the conclusion of the prehearing conference for Bonneville's BP-24 Power and Transmission Rate Proceeding, which begins at 10:00 a.m.

Participant Comments: Written comments by non-party participants must be received by Friday, December 9, 2022 to be considered in the Hearing Officer's recommended decision and the Administrator's Record of Decision (ROD).

Part III of this notice, "Public Participation in TC-24," provides details on requesting access to the secure website, filing a petition to intervene, and submitting participant comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Elissa Haley, DKS-7, BPA Communications, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon 97208; by phone toll-free at 1-800-622-4519; or by email to enhaley@bpa.gov.

The Hearing Clerk for this proceeding can be reached via email at TC24clerk@gmail.com or via telephone at (503) 479-8506.

Please direct questions regarding Bonneville's secure website to the Rate Hearing Coordinator via email at cwgriffen@bpa.gov or, if the question is time-sensitive, via telephone at (503) 230-5107.

Responsible Official: Rebecca Fredrickson, Manager of Transmission Rates, Tariff, Regulatory and Compliance, is the official responsible for the development of Bonneville's open access transmission tariff.

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Part I—Introduction and Procedural Matters

A. Introduction

The Bonneville Project Act of 1937, as reaffirmed in the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act, grants the Bonneville Administrator broad authority to enter into contracts upon such terms and conditions and in such manner as the Administrator may deem necessary. Bonneville's Tariff provides the generally applicable terms and conditions for transmission service across the Federal Columbia River Transmission System (FCRTS). Section 9 of the Tariff provides that the Bonneville Administrator may use the procedures set forth in section 212(i)(2)(A) of the Federal Power Act to establish and modify non-rate terms and conditions of the Tariff. Section 212(i)(2)(A) of the Federal Power Act provide procedures the Administrator may use to establish and modify terms and conditions of general applicability for transmission service across the FCRTS. The section 212(i)(2)(A) procedures include giving notice in the **Federal Register** and conducting a hearing that adheres to the procedural requirements of paragraphs (1) through (3) of Section 7(i) of the Northwest Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 839e(i) (the same procedures Bonneville uses to set rates). In accordance with these procedures, the Hearing Officer conducts one or more hearings as expeditiously as practicable to develop a full and complete record. Unless the Hearing Officer becomes unavailable to Bonneville, upon conclusion of the hearing, the Hearing Officer shall make a recommended decision to the Administrator, and the Administrator then makes a separate and final determination to establish or modify the Tariff terms and conditions (discussed further in Part III, Section C of this notice).

Bonneville's Rules of Procedure govern the TC-24 tariff proceedings. The rules are posted on Bonneville's website at <https://www.bpa.gov/energy-and-services/rate-and-tariff-proceedings/rules-of-procedure-revision-process>.

B. Proposed Settlement for Modifications to the Tariff

Since early August, Bonneville engaged its transmission and interconnection customers in an attempt to reach settlement of the modifications to the Tariff for the TC-24 proceeding. These discussions have resulted in the TC-24 Settlement Agreement. Bonneville is proposing to adopt the