

and reporting directives are available from the Bureau of Transportation Statistics Office of Airline Information. Please visit <https://www.bts.gov/> or call 800-853-1351 for more information.) Such controls should extend over all ADP processing, both in-house and that from third-party service providers.

§ 19-8.8 Editing data.

(a) *City and airport, or terminus, codes.* Prior to submission of O&D, each carrier is to edit the recorded data to validate city and airport or terminus codes. This edit is to verify that the codes recorded are valid official codes, and it is independent of whether the carriers shown operated into or out of the airport or terminus shown. Any questions about airport or terminus codes should be addressed to the Director, Office of Airline Information.

(b) *Edit responsibility of carriers.* Each carrier is responsible for developing edit procedures and internal controls over its data entry and processing procedures so that valid and reliable data are captured in the O&D inputs. Since the carriers have many different statistical systems, it is not practicable for the Department of Transportation to prescribe specific controls in this area, and each carrier is responsible for developing the appropriate internal control procedures to edit the O&D data and ensure the integrity of these data. The Department will control the accuracy of its processing of the sampled data upon receipt from the carriers or their third-party providers.

(c) *System documentation of edits.* Carriers are required to maintain written O&D procedural statements and flow charts.

§ 19-8.9 Control of sample selection and data recording.

Sample accuracy and reliability. To maximize the accuracy and reliability of the sample selection and data recording, each carrier is to:

(a) Develop a written statement describing the procedures it will employ in examining and selecting reportable flight coupons and in recording, summarizing, editing, and testing the Survey data;

(b) Submit any proposed changes in the procedures specified in paragraph (a) of this section to the Department's Office of Airline Information, prior to implementation of such changes;

(c) Establish continuous quantity controls on the flow of all lifted flight coupons through the carrier's accounting processing to determine the total number of coupons handled, and the number of reportable coupons selected. Tests are to be made

continuously to assure that all reportable coupons are being selected and the data recorded. Such tests should be completed while the "lifted" flight coupons (representing earned passenger revenues for flight segments operated) remain in the possession of the carrier. Establish such other internal control procedures as are necessary for supervising and monitoring the accuracy of the recording of data from reportable flight coupons.

§ 19-8.10 Staff review.

The OAI staff will review the carrier procedures and practices and may request modifications or the use of special procedures necessary to improve the sample or to bolster the controls for accuracy and reliability.

PART 298—EXEMPTIONS FOR AIR TAXI AND COMMUTER AIR CARRIER OPERATIONS

■ 4. The authority citation for 14 CFR part 298 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 329 and chapters 401, 411, and 417.

■ 5. Section 298.60 is amended by revising paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 298.60 General reporting instructions.

(a) Each commuter air carrier and each small certificated air carrier shall file the applicable schedules of Form 298-C, "Report of Financial and Operating Statistics for Small Aircraft Operators," Schedule T-100, "U.S. Air Carrier Traffic and Capacity Data by Nonstop Segment and On-Flight Market," and the "Passenger Origin—Destination Survey" prescribed in part 241, Sec. 19-8, of this subchapter.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Part 381

[Docket No. RM23-2-000]

Annual Update of Filing Fees

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Final rule; annual update of Commission filing fees.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the Commission issues this update of its filing fees. This document provides the yearly update using data in the

Commission's Financial System to calculate the new fees. The purpose of updating is to adjust the fees on the basis of the Commission's costs for Fiscal Year 2022.

DATES: *Effective date:* March 2, 2023.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

1. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is issuing this document to update filing fees that the Commission assesses for specific services and benefits provided to identifiable beneficiaries. Pursuant to 18 CFR 381.104, the Commission is establishing updated fees on the basis of the Commission's Fiscal Year 2022 costs.

II. Information Collection Statement

2. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approves certain information collection requirements imposed by agency rule.¹ However, this rule does not contain any new or additional information collection requirements. Therefore, compliance with OMB's regulations is not required.

III. Environmental Analysis

3. The Commission is required to prepare an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement for any action that may have a significant adverse effect on the human environment.²

4. Part 380 of the Commission's regulations lists exemptions to the requirement to draft an Environmental Analysis or Environmental Impact Statement. Included is an exemption for procedural, ministerial, or internal administrative actions.³ Accordingly, this rulemaking is exempt from the requirement to draft such documents under that provision.

IV. Regulatory Flexibility Act

5. The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA)⁴ generally requires a description and analysis of final rules that will have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This rule concerns an update to

¹ 5 CFR 1320.12.

² *Regulations Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act*, Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 30,783 (Dec. 17, 1987).

³ 18 CFR 380.4(a)(1).

⁴ 5 U.S.C. 601-12.

filing fees. The Commission certifies that it will not have a significant economic impact upon participants in Commission proceedings. An analysis under the RFA is therefore not required.

V. Document Availability

6. In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<https://www.ferc.gov>). At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room due to the President's March 13, 2020, proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19).

7. The full text of this document is available on the Commission's Home Page, on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field.

8. User assistance is available for eLibrary and the Commission's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at (202) 502-6652 (toll free at 1-866-208-3676) or email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502-8371, TTY (202) 502-8659. Email the Public Reference Room at public.refenceroom@ferc.gov.

VI. Effective Date

9. The Commission is issuing this rule as a final rule without a period for public comment. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(A), notice-and-comment rulemaking procedures are unnecessary for "rules of agency organization, procedure, or practice." This rule is therefore exempt from notice-and-comment rulemaking procedures, because it concerns the Commission's procedures and practices. In particular, the rule adjusts filing fee amounts. The rule will not significantly affect regulated entities or the general public.

10. This rule is effective March 2, 2023.

The new fee schedule is as follows:

Fees Applicable to the Natural Gas Policy Act	
1. Petitions for rate approval pursuant to 18 CFR 284.123(b)(2). (18 CFR 381.403)	\$17,910
Fees Applicable to General Activities	
1. Petition for issuance of a declaratory order (except under Part I of the Federal Power Act). (18 CFR 381.302(a))	35,980
2. Review of a Department of Energy remedial order:	
<i>Amount in controversy</i>	
\$0-9,999. (18 CFR 381.303(b))	100
\$10,000-29,999. (18 CFR 381.303(b))	600
\$30,000 or more. (18 CFR 381.303(a))	52,530
3. Review of a Department of Energy denial of adjustment:	
<i>Amount in controversy</i>	
\$0-9,999. (18 CFR 381.304(b))	100
\$10,000-29,999. (18 CFR 381.304(b))	600
\$30,000 or more. (18 CFR 381.304(a))	27,540
4. Written legal interpretations by the Office of General Counsel. (18 CFR 381.305(a))	10,320
Fees Applicable to Natural Gas Pipelines	
1. Pipeline certificate applications pursuant to 18 CFR 284.224. (18 CFR 381.207(b))	* 1,000
Fees Applicable to Cogenerators and Small Power Producers	
1. Certification of qualifying status as a small power production facility. (18 CFR 381.505(a))	30,940
2. Certification of qualifying status as a cogeneration facility. (18 CFR 381.505(a))	35,030

* This fee has not been changed.

List of Subjects in 18 CFR Part 381

Electric power plants, Electric utilities, Natural gas, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Issued: January 23, 2023.

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Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Executive Director.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Commission amends part 381, chapter I, title 18, Code of Federal Regulations, as set forth below.

PART 381—FEES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 381 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 717-717w; 16 U.S.C. 791-828c, 2601-2645; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 42 U.S.C. 7101-7352; 49 U.S.C. 60502; 49 App. U.S.C. 1-85.

§ 381.302 [Amended]

■ 2. In § 381.302, paragraph (a) is amended by removing "\$33,690" and adding "\$35,980" in its place.

§ 381.303 [Amended]

■ 3. In § 381.303, paragraph (a) is amended by removing "\$49,170" and adding "\$52,530" in its place.

§ 381.304 [Amended]

■ 4. In § 381.304, paragraph (a) is amended by removing "\$25,780" and adding "\$27,540" in its place.

§ 381.305 [Amended]

■ 5. In § 381.305, paragraph (a) is amended by removing "\$9,660" and adding "\$10,320" in its place.

§ 381.403 [Amended]

■ 6. Section § 381.403 is amended by removing "\$16,770" and adding "\$17,910" in its place.

§ 381.505 [Amended]

■ 7. In § 381.505, paragraph (a) is amended by removing "\$28,970" and adding "30,940" in its place and by removing "\$32,790" and adding "\$35,030" in its place.

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