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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. UL19-1-000; UL19-2-000]

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation; Notice of Availability of Navigability Report for the Walkill River, Request for Comments, and Notice of Pending Jurisdictional Inquiry

On May 9, 2019, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) received a request from the U.S. Department of the Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) for an updated jurisdictional determination for the unlicensed Sturgeon Pool and Dashville Hydroelectric Projects. The projects are located on the Walkill River in Ulster County, New York. In response to FWS's request, Commission staff is investigating the jurisdictional status of the Sturgeon Pool Hydroelectric Project (UL19-1-000) and Dashville Hydroelectric Project (UL19-2-000).

Pursuant to section 23(b)(1) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 817(1), a non-Federal hydroelectric project must be licensed (unless it has a still-valid pre-1920 Federal permit) if it: (a) is located on a navigable water of the United States; (b) occupies lands or reservations of the United States; (c) utilizes surplus water or waterpower from a government dam; or (d) is located on a stream over which Congress has Commerce Clause jurisdiction, is constructed or modified on or after August 26, 1935, and affects the interests of interstate or foreign commerce.

A stream is navigable under section 3(8) of the FPA if: (1) it is currently being used or is suitable for use, or (2) it has been used or was suitable for use in the past, or (3) it could be made

suitable for use in the future by reasonable improvements, to transport persons or property in interstate or foreign commerce. Navigability under section 3(8) of the FPA is not destroyed by obstructions or disuse of many years; personal or private use may be sufficient to demonstrate the availability of the river for commercial navigation; and the seasonal floatation of logs is sufficient to determine that a river is navigable.

Commission staff previously investigated the Commission's jurisdiction over the Sturgeon Pool and Dashville Hydroelectric Projects. In 1988, staff determined that the projects were non-jurisdictional based on staff's finding that the Walkill River was not navigable at the location of the projects.¹ Commission staff's prior finding relied primarily on historical usage of the river. FWS requests that the Commission reexamine navigability of the Walkill River and look specifically at the river's suitability for commercial use. A stream's suitability for commercial use can be demonstrated based on its physical characteristics, as well as its actual use or suitability for use for recreational boating, if this information shows the river is suitable for the simpler types of commercial navigation.²

As part of the current jurisdictional review, Commission staff prepared an updated navigability report for the Walkill River. Before deciding on the jurisdictional status of the Sturgeon Pool and Dashville Hydroelectric Projects, the Commission will accept and consider comments on the navigability report. Comments may be filed no later January 22, 2024.

This navigability report may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket numbers, UL19-1 and UL19-2, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

¹ See *Central Hudson Gas & Electric Co.*, 44 FERC ¶ 62,215 (1988) (Dashville Hydroelectric Project in Docket No. UL88-18-000); *Central Hudson Gas & Electric Co.*, 44 FERC ¶ 62,216 (1988) (Sturgeon Pool Hydroelectric Project in Docket No. UL88-22-000).

² See *FPL Energy Maine Hydro LLC v. FERC*, 287 F.3d 1151, 1158 (D.C. Cir. 2002) (affirming navigability finding based on stream characteristics and test trips by canoe).

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include Docket Numbers UL19-1-000 and/or UL19-2-000.

For further information, please contact Jennifer Polardino at (202) 502-6437 or Jennifer.Polardino@ferc.gov.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2015-0436; FRL-11645-01-OMS]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for TSCA Section 4 Test Rules, Test Orders, Enforceable Consent Agreements (ECAs), Voluntary Data Submissions, and Exemptions From Testing Requirements (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), Generic Clearance for TSCA Section 4 Test Rules, Test Orders, Enforceable Consent Agreements (ECAs), Voluntary Data Submissions, and Exemptions from Testing Requirements (EPA ICR Number 1139.48, OMB Control Number 2070-0033) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through December 31, 2023.

Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on November 2, 2021, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30-days for public comments.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 29, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OPPT-2015-0436, to EPA online using <https://www.regulations.gov> (our preferred method) or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the docket without change, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Katherine Sleasman, Mission Support Division (7101M), Office of Program Support, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 566-1204; email address: sleasman.katherine@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a proposed extension of the ICR which is currently approved through December 31, 2023. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on November 2, 2021, during a 60-day comment period (86 FR 60460). This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at <https://www.regulations.gov> or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room

3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Abstract: The generic ICR addresses the information collection activities associated with the authorities provided to EPA under TSCA section 4 (15 U.S.C. 2603), which allows EPA to require the development of information related to chemicals to inform EPA and other federal agencies about chemical risks, which in turn will inform decision makers for purposes of prioritization, risk evaluation and risk management of those chemicals.

Respondents/affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this ICR are manufacturers (including imports) or processors of chemical substances of mixtures, e.g., entities identified by North American Industrial Classification System Codes 325 and 324.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Mandatory per 15 U.S.C. 2603.

Estimated number of respondents: 263.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Total estimated burden: 114,561 hours (three year total). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

Total estimated costs: \$27,261,789 (three year total), including \$17,725,254 capital or operation and maintenance costs.

Changes in the estimates: The annual estimated labor burden associated with testing costs increased by 5,749 hours. Updates were made to reflect testing burden and labor costs for activities associated with contacting laboratories and arranging testing and sample collection. In addition, the 5,749 also accounts for the burden being merged into this ICR that is associated with activities associated with contacting laboratories and arranging testing as well as reviewing guidance documents and pre-issuance outreach for Test Orders. The estimated non-labor testing costs increased due to inflation. With the increase in testing costs as well as increases in labor and overhead costs over time, the annual costs to the industry respondents increased by \$1,014,408.

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