

Comp.—Response to Staff Deficiency Letter to be effective 1/1/2018.

Filed Date: 7/6/21.

Accession Number: 20210706–5057.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/27/21.

Docket Numbers: ER20–2446–004.

Applicants: Bitter Ridge Wind Farm, LLC.

Description: Compliance filing: Compliance filing for Docket ER20–2446 to be effective 9/29/2020.

Filed Date: 7/6/21.

Accession Number: 20210706–5058.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/27/21.

Docket Numbers: ER20–2503–003.

Applicants: Paulding Wind Farm IV LLC.

Description: Compliance filing: Compliance filing for Docket No. ER20–2503 to be effective 9/22/2020.

Filed Date: 7/6/21.

Accession Number: 20210706–5061.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/27/21.

Docket Numbers: ER20–2953–003.

Applicants: Lone Tree Wind, LLC.

Description: Compliance filing: Compliance filing for Docket ER20–2953 to be effective 12/16/2020.

Filed Date: 7/6/21.

Accession Number: 20210706–5063.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/27/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2349–000.

Applicants: AR Searcy Project Company, LLC.

Description: Baseline eTariff Filing: MBR Initial Application to be effective 9/1/2021.

Filed Date: 7/2/21.

Accession Number: 20210702–5095.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/23/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2350–000.

Applicants: MS Sunflower Project Company, LLC.

Description: Baseline eTariff Filing: MBR Initial Application to be effective 9/1/2021.

Filed Date: 7/2/21.

Accession Number: 20210702–5096.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/23/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2351–000.

Applicants: Entergy Services, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Entergy Services, LLC to be effective 9/1/2021.

Filed Date: 7/2/21.

Accession Number: 20210702–5099.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/23/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2352–000.

Applicants: Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Amendment to PG&E Elkhorn Energy Storage LGIA (SA 379) to be effective 7/3/2021.

Filed Date: 7/2/21.

Accession Number: 20210702–5102.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/23/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2353–000.

Applicants: Duke Energy Progress, LLC.

Description: Tariff Cancellation: DEP-Waynesville RS No. 185 Cancellation to be effective 9/1/2021.

Filed Date: 7/2/21.

Accession Number: 20210702–5105.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/23/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2354–000.

Applicants: Entergy Services, LLC.

Description: Request for Limited Waivers and Clarification of Affiliate Rules of Entergy Services, LLC.

Filed Date: 7/2/21.

Accession Number: 20210702–5168.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/23/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2355–000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Original ISA, Service Agreement No. 6100; Queue No. AD2–076 to be effective 6/10/2021.

Filed Date: 7/6/21.

Accession Number: 20210706–5014.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/27/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2356–000.

Applicants: Alabama Power Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Sandhills 2 Solar LGIA Filing to be effective 6/21/2021.

Filed Date: 7/6/21.

Accession Number: 20210706–5047.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/27/21.

Docket Numbers: ER21–2357–000.

Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2021–07–06_SA 3006 Duke-Jordan Creek 3rd Rev GIA (J515) to be effective 6/18/2021.

Filed Date: 7/6/21.

Accession Number: 20210706–5078.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/27/21.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercensearch.asp>) by 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.

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Dated: July 6, 2021.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC21–32–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities Ferc–917 and Ferc–918; Consolidated Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of information collections 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 collections, FERC–917 (Electric Transmission Facilities) and FERC–918 (Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities), both under OMB Control No. 1902–0233, which will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a review of the information collection requirements.

DATES: Comments on the collections of information are due September 10, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit copies of your comments (identified by Docket No. IC21–32–000 and the specific FERC collection number (FERC–917 and/or FERC–918)) by one of the following methods:

Electronic filing through <http://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:*

Deliver to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with

submission guidelines at: <http://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 <http://www.ferc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC-917, Electric Transmission Facilities and FERC-918, Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities.

OMB Control No.: 1902-0233.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC-917 and FERC-918 information collection requirements with no changes to the reporting requirements.

Type of Respondents: Public utilities transmission providers.

Abstract: On February 17, 2007, the Commission issued Order No. 890 to address and remedy opportunities for undue discrimination under the *pro forma* Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) adopted in 1996 by Order No. 888.¹ Through Order No. 890, the Commission:

1. Adopted *pro forma* OATT provisions necessary to keep imbalance charges closely related to incremental costs.
2. Increased nondiscriminatory access to the grid by requiring public utilities, working through the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), to develop consistent methodologies for available transfer capability (ATC) calculation and to publish those methodologies to increase transparency.
3. Required an open, transparent, and coordinated transmission planning process thereby increasing the ability of customers to access new generating resources and promote efficient utilization of transmission.
4. Gave the right to customers to request from transmission providers,

studies addressing congestion and/or integration of new resource loads in areas of the transmission system where they have encountered transmission problems due to congestion or where they believe upgrades and other investments may be necessary to reduce congestion and to integrate new resources.

5. Required both the transmission provider's merchant function and network customers to include a statement with each application for network service or to designate a new network resource that attests, for each network resource identified, that the transmission customer owns or has committed to purchase the designated network resource and the designated network resource comports with the requirements for designated network resources. The network customer includes this attestation in the customer's comment section of the request when it confirms the request on the Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS).

6. Required with regard to capacity reassignment that: (a) All sales or assignments of capacity be conducted through or otherwise posted on the transmission provider's OASIS on or before the date the reassigned service commences; (b) assignees of transmission capacity execute a service agreement prior to the date on which the reassigned service commences; and (c) transmission providers aggregate and summarize in an electric quarterly report the data contained in these service agreements.

7. Adopted an operational penalties annual filing that provides information regarding the penalty revenue the transmission provider has received and distributed.

8. Required creditworthiness information to be included in a transmission provider's OATT. Attachment L must specify the qualitative and quantitative criteria that the transmission provider uses to determine the level of secured and unsecured credit required.

The Commission required a NERC/NAESB² team to draft and review Order No. 890 reliability standards and business practices. The team was to solicit comment from each utility on developed standards and practices and utilities were to implement each, after Commission approval. Public utilities, working through NERC, were to revise reliability standards to require the exchange of data and coordination among transmission providers and,

working through NAESB, were to develop complementary business practices. Required OASIS postings included:

1. Explanations for changes in ATC values;
2. Capacity benefit margin (CBM) reevaluations and quarterly postings;
3. OASIS metrics and accepted/denied requests;
4. Planning redispatch offers and reliability redispatch data;
5. Curtailment data;
6. Planning and system impact studies;
7. Metrics for system impact studies; and
8. All rules.

Incorporating the Order No. 890 standards into the Commission's regulations benefits wholesale electric customers by streamlining utility business practices, transactional processes, and OASIS procedures, and by adopting a formal ongoing process for reviewing and upgrading the Commission's OASIS standards and other electric industry business practices. These practices and procedures benefit from the implementation of generic industry standards.

The Commission's Order No. 890 regulations can be found in 18 CFR 35.28 (*pro forma* tariff requirements), and 37.6 and 37.7 (OASIS requirements). 18 CFR 35.28(b) states: "Audit data must remain available for download on the OASIS for 90 days, except ATC/TTC postings that must remain available for download on the OASIS for 20 days. The audit data are to be retained and made available upon request for download for five years from the date when they are first posted in the same electronic form as used when they originally were posted on the OASIS."

Estimate of Annual Burden:³ The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collections as follows. Please note, the zeroes for respondents and responses are based on having no filings of this type over the past four years. In addition, we estimate no filings during the next three years. The requirements remain in the regulations and are included as part of OMB Control Number 1902-0233.

³ 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. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, refer to 5 CFR part 1320.

¹ *Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities; Recovery of Stranded Costs by Public Utilities and Transmitting Utilities*, Order No. 888, 61 FR 21540 (May 10, 1996), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 (1996), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-A, 62 FR 12274 (Mar. 14, 1997), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,048 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-B, 81 FERC ¶ 61,248 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-C, 82 FERC ¶ 61,046 (1998), *aff'd in relevant part sub nom. Transmission Access Policy Study Group v. FERC*, 225 F.3d 667 (D.C. Cir. 2000), *aff'd sub nom. New York v. FERC*, 535 U.S. 1 (2002).

² NAESB is the North American Energy Standards Board.

FERC-917 (ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION FACILITIES) AND FERC-918 (STANDARDS FOR BUSINESS PRACTICES AND COMMUNICATION PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES)

	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Annual number of responses	Average annual burden hrs. & cost ⁴ per response (\$)	Total average annual burden hours & total annual cost ⁵ (\$)	Average annual cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1) = (6)
18 CFR 35.28 (FERC-917)						
Conforming tariff changes (Reporting)	20	1	20	20 hrs.; \$1,460	400 hrs.; \$29,200	\$1,460
Revision of Imbalance Charges (Reporting).	21	1	21	25 hrs.; \$1,825	525 hrs.; \$38,325	1,825
ATC revisions (Reporting)	11	1	11	20 hrs.; \$1,460	220 hrs.; \$16,060	1,460
Planning (Attachment K) (Reporting) ⁶	162	1	162	100 hrs.; \$7,300	16,200 hrs.; \$1,182,600 ...	7,300.00
Congestion studies (Reporting)	162	1	162	300 hrs.; \$21,900	48,600 hrs.; \$3,547,800 ...	21,900.00
Attestation of network resource commitment (Reporting).	162	1	162	1 hr.; \$73	162 hrs.; \$11,826	73.00
Capacity reassignment (Reporting)	162	1	162	100 hrs.; \$7,300	16,200 hrs.; \$1,182,600 ...	7,300.00
Operational Penalty annual filing (Record Keeping) ⁷ .	162	1	162	10 hrs.; \$358.30	1,620 hrs.; \$58,044.60	358.30
Creditworthiness—include criteria in the tariff (Reporting) ⁸						
FERC-917, Sub-Total of Record Keeping Requirements.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,620 hrs.; \$58,044.60	.....
FERC-917, Sub-Total of Reporting Requirements.	.....	.....	.....	.....	132,527 hrs.; \$6,008,411	.....
FERC-917—Sub Total of Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements.	.....	.....	.....	.....	134,147 hrs.; \$6,066,455.60	.....
18 CFR 37.6 & 37.7 (FERC-918)						
Implementation by each utility ⁹ (Reporting)						
NERC/NAESB Team to develop (Reporting)						
Review and comment by utility (Reporting)						
Mandatory data exchanges (Reporting).	162	1	162	80 hrs.; \$5,840	12,960 hrs.; \$946,080	5,840.00
Explanation of change of ATC values (Reporting).	162	1	162	100 hrs.; \$7,300.00	16,200 hrs.; \$1,182,600 ...	7,300.00
Reevaluate CBM and post quarterly (Record Keeping).	162	1	162	20 hrs.; \$716.60	3,240 hrs.; \$116,089.20 ...	716.60
Post OASIS metrics; requests accepted/denied (Reporting).	162	1	162	90 hrs.; \$6,570	14,580 hrs.; \$1,064,340 ...	6,570.00
Post planning redispatch offers and reliability redispatch data (Record Keeping).	162	1	162	20 hrs.; \$716.60	3,240 hrs.; \$116,089.20 ...	716.60
Post curtailment data (Reporting)	162	1	162	1 hr.; \$73.00	162 hrs.; \$11,826	73.00
Post Planning and System Impact Studies (Reporting).	162	1	162	5 hrs.; \$365.00	810 hrs.; \$59,130	365.00
Posting of metrics for System Impact Studies (Reporting).	162	1	162	100 hrs.; \$7,300.00	16,200 hrs.; \$1,182,600 ...	7,300.00
Post all rules to OASIS (Record Keeping).	162	1	162	5 hrs.; \$179.15	810 hrs.; \$29,022.30	179.15
FERC-918, Sub-Total of Record Keeping Requirements.	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,290 hrs.; \$261,200.70	.....
FERC-918 Sub-Total of Reporting Requirements.	.....	.....	.....	.....	60,912 hrs.; \$4,446,576	.....
FERC-918—Sub Total of Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements.	.....	.....	.....	.....	68,202 hrs.; \$4,707,776.70	.....
Total FERC-917 and FERC-918 (Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements).	.....	.....	.....	.....	202,349 hrs.; \$10,774,232.30	.....

Comments: Comments are invited on:
(1) Whether the collections of

⁴ The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) provided in this section is based on the salary figures for March 2021 posted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Utilities sector and benefits based on BLS report; issued June 17, 2021 Employer Costs for Employee Compensation Summary (available at <https://www.bls.gov/news.release/>

[ecec.nr0.htm](#)). The hourly rates are displayed below:

Legal (Occupation Code: 23-0000): \$142.25.

Management Analyst (Occupation Code: 13-1111): \$68.39.

Office and Administrative Support (Occupation Code: 43-000): \$44.47.

Electrical Engineer (Occupation Code: 17-2071): \$72.15.

Information Security Analyst (Occupation Code: 15-1122): \$73.57.

File Clerk (Occupation Code: 43-4071): \$35.83.

The skill sets are assumed to contribute equally, so the hourly cost is an average [(\$142.25 + \$68.39 + \$44.47 + \$72.15 + \$73.57 + 35.83) ÷ 6 = \$72.78]. The figure is rounded to \$73.00 per hour.

⁵ In the last renewal of FERC-917/918 (ICR Ref. No. 201802-1902-002), included a \$7,400,000 cost

information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: July 6, 2021.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER21-2350-000]

MS Sunflower Project Company, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of MS Sunflower Project Company, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of

for off-site storage facility for record keeping. This cost was not related to burden hours, rather an annual estimate of the fees related to offsite storage. This cost has been removed as all recordkeeping is retained electronically per 18 CFR 37.7(b) states: "Audit data must remain available for download on the OASIS for 90 days, except ATC/TTC postings that must remain available for download on the OASIS for 20 days. The audit data are to be retained and made available upon request for download for five years from the date when they are first posted in the same electronic form as used when they originally were posted on the OASIS."

⁶The increase in the number of responses 132 (from OMB's currently approved inventory for FERC-917/918) to 162 is based on the increased number of companies subject to compliance and changes in the last few years as identified by the NERC registry.

⁷While we are using the averaged hourly rate for the majority of the calculations, all recordkeeping tasks are solely completed by a file clerk at \$35.83/hour.

⁸As noted, above the table, the zeroes for respondents and responses are based on having no filings of this type over the past four years.

⁹ATC-related standards include: Implementation by each utility (Reporting), NERC/NAESB Team to develop (Reporting), and Review and comment by utility (Reporting).

future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is July 26, 2021.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

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 (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Dated: July 6, 2021.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER21-2349-000]

AR Searcy Project Company, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

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