

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Emergency Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed emergency collection of information that DOE is developing for management of financial assistance grants funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before February 18, 2010. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.
ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to: Matthew Grosso, U.S. Department of Energy, OE/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585 or by fax at 202-586-5860, or by e-mail at *matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov* and DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Matthew Grosso at *matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This emergency information collection request contains: (1) *OMB No.:* New; (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability Recovery Act Smart Grid Grant Program Status Report; (3) *Type of Review:* Emergency; (4) *Purpose:* To collect information on the status of

grantee activities, expenditures, and results, to ensure that program funds are being used appropriately, effectively and expeditiously (especially important for Recovery Act funds); (5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 132; (6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 1,656; (7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 3,312; (8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$621,000 for the first year, \$138,000 each subsequent year.

Authority: Title V, Subtitle E of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA; Pub. L. 110-140).

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 28, 2010.

Terri T. Lee,
Chief Operating Officer, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice Providing Agenda for Technical Conference on RTO/ISO Responsiveness

January 27, 2010.

California Independent System Operator Corporation	Docket No. ER09-1048-000.
Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc	Docket No. ER09-1049-000.
Southwest Power Pool, Inc	Docket Nos. ER09-1050-000, ER09-1192-000.
ISO New England, Inc. and New England Power Pool	Docket No. ER09-1051-000.
PJM Interconnection, LLC	Docket No. ER09-1063-000.
New York Independent System Operator, Inc	Docket No. ER09-1142-000.

On November 13, 2009, the Commission issued a notice announcing that the Commission staff would hold a technical conference in the near future to address issues raised in the above-referenced Order No. 719 compliance proceedings.¹ The notice indicated that the date, time, and agenda for the conference would be announced in a subsequent notice. On January 8, 2010, the Commission issued a notice providing an agenda for the conference. The notice indicated that the panelists were subject to change. Attached is an up-dated agenda with the panelists as of the date of this notice.

¹ *Wholesale Competition in Regions with Organized Electric Market*, Order No. 719, 73 FR 64,100 (Oct. 28, 2008), FERC Stats & Regs. ¶ 31,281 (2008); *order on reh'g*, 74 FR 37,772 (July 29, 2009), 128 FERC ¶ 61,059 (2009) (Order No. 719-A).

The staff technical conference will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2010, from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EST) in the Commission Meeting Room at the Commission's Washington, D. headquarters, 888 First Street, NE.

This conference will be webcast. All interested parties are invited, and there is no registration fee to attend.

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Questions about the technical conference may be directed to Kurt

Longo at *kurt.longo@ferc.gov*, (202) 502-8048.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

Agenda—Technical Conference on RTO/ISO Responsiveness

February 4, 2010

- 12:30 Panel 1—Stakeholder Process Bill Fields, Maryland Office of People's Counsel
- Paul Williams, Portland Cement Association (Industrial Consumers)
- John Anderson, Electric Consumers Resource Council
- Patrick E. McCullar, Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation, on behalf of American Public Power Association
- Tamara Linde, Public Service Electric & Gas