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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### 10 CFR Part 205

[DOE–HQ–2025–0011]

RIN 1901–AB68

#### Application for Presidential Permit Authorizing the Construction, Connection, Operation, and Maintenance of Facilities for Transmission of Electric Energy at International Boundaries

**AGENCY:** Grid Deployment Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule; delay of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** Due to the receipt of significant adverse comments, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is extending the effective date of the direct final rule “Application for Presidential Permit Authorizing the Construction, Connection, Operation and Maintenance of Facilities for Transmission of Electric Energy at International Boundaries,” published on May 16, 2025.

**DATES:** As of July 14, 2025, the effective date of the direct final rule published May 16, 2025, at 90 FR 20753, is delayed until September 12, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jeffrey Novak, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, GC–1, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586–5281 or [DOEGeneralCounsel@hq.doe.gov](mailto:DOEGeneralCounsel@hq.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 16, 2025, DOE published a direct final rule. (90 FR 20753). DOE stated in that direct final rule that if significant adverse comments were received by June 16, 2025, DOE would withdraw the direct final rule or issue a new final rule which responds to the significant adverse comments.

Because DOE subsequently received significant adverse comments on that

direct final rule, DOE is extending the effective date to consider the comments submitted in response to the direct final rule.

To the extent that 5 U.S.C. 553 applies to this action, it is exempt from notice and comment because it constitutes a rule of procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A) and for which no notice or hearing is required by statute. Additionally, this action is not a “substantive rule” for which a 30-day delay in effective date is required under 5 U.S.C. 553(d).

#### Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on July 9, 2025, by Chris Wright, the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on July 10, 2025.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### 10 CFR Part 207

[EERE–2025–OT–0033]

RIN 1904–AG04

#### Collection of Information Under the Energy Supply and Environmental Coordination Act of 1974

**AGENCY:** U.S. Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule; delay of effective date; response to comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) is publishing this document to

respond to comments received on the direct final rule “Collection of Information Under the Energy Supply and Environmental Coordination Act of 1974,” published on May 16, 2025. As a result, DOE delays the effective date of the direct final rule.

**DATES:** As of July 14, 2025, the effective date of the direct final rule published May 16, 2025, at 90 FR 20755, is delayed until August 13, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jeffrey Novak, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, Acting General Counsel, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585–0121; (202) 586–5281 or [DOEGeneralCounsel@hq.doe.gov](mailto:DOEGeneralCounsel@hq.doe.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. May 2025 Direct Final Rule

On May 16, 2025, DOE published a direct final rule that amended the Code of Federal Regulations by rescinding the provisions directed to the Collection of Information Under the Energy Supply and Environmental Coordination Act of 1974 (ESECA), codified in 10 CFR part 207, subpart A. 90 FR 20755 (“May 2025 DFR”) ESECA, as codified, aimed to meet the Nation’s then growing energy crisis and includes detailed provisions as to the collection of energy information and the development of corresponding reports. Aside from obvious and unnecessary additions as to the format of reports in 10 CFR part 207, the provisions of the ESECA in 15 U.S.C. 796 are largely recycled and repeated in 10 CFR part 207, subpart A, at least in §§ 207.2 and 207.3. Therefore, these superfluous sections are unnecessary and merely enlarge an already bloated CFR.

##### II. Response to Comments

DOE received two substantive comments, in response to its May 2025 DFR: one from Professor Bridget C.E. Dooling, and one from the Center for Biological Diversity.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> This rule also corrects an error in the May 2025 DFR that identified the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy as the relevant DOE element. To address that error, this document correctly identifies the U.S. Energy Information Administration as the relevant DOE element.