natural gas, No. 2 heating oil, and propane are based on simulations used to produce the February 2019, EIA Short-Term Energy Outlook (EIA releases the Outlook monthly). The representative average unit after-tax cost for kerosene is derived from its price relative to that of heating oil, based on the 2010 to 2013 averages of the U.S. refiner price to end users, which include all the major energy-consuming sectors in the U.S. for these fuels. The source for these price data is the January 2019, Monthly Energy Review DOE/EIA—

0035(2019/1). The representative average unit after-tax cost for propane is derived from its price relative to that of heating oil, based on the 2019 averages of the U.S. residential sector prices found in the Annual Energy Outlook 2019, AEO2019 (January 24, 2019). The Short-Term Energy Outlook, the Monthly Energy Review, and the Annual Energy Outlook are available on the EIA website at http://www.eia.doe.gov. For more information on the data sources used in this Notice, contact the National Energy Information Center, Forrestal

Building, EI–30, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586–8800, email: *infoctr@ eia.doe.gov*.

The 2019 representative average unit costs under section 323(b)(4) of the Act are set forth in Table 1, and will become effective April 8, 2019. They will remain in effect until further notice.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 28, 2019

Daniel R Simmons,

Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

TABLE 1—REPRESENTATIVE AVERAGE UNIT COSTS OF ENERGY FOR FIVE RESIDENTIAL ENERGY SOURCES (2019)

Type of energy	Per million Btu ¹	In commonly used terms	As required by test procedure
Electricity Natural Gas No. 2 Heating Oil Propane Kerosene	10.38 20.80 21.65	\$1.038/therm ⁴ or \$10.79/MCF ^{5 6} \$2.86/gallon ⁷	0.00002080/Btu. 0.00002165/Btu.

Sources: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Short-Term Energy Outlook (February 12, 2019), Annual Energy Outlook (January 24, 2019), and Monthly Energy Review (January 28, 2019).

Notes: Prices include taxes.

- ¹ Btu stands for British thermal units.
- ² kWh stands for kilowatt hour.
- ³1 kWh = 3,412 Btu.
- 4 1 therm = 100,000 Btu.
- ⁵MCF stands for 1,000 cubic feet.
- ⁶ For the purposes of this table, one cubic foot of natural gas has an energy equivalence of 1,039 Btu.
- ⁷ For the purposes of this table, one gallon of No. 2 heating oil has an energy equivalence of 137,476 Btu.
- ⁸ For the purposes of this table, one gallon of liquid propane has an energy equivalence of 91,333 Btu.
- ⁹ For the purposes of this table, one gallon of kerosene has an energy equivalence of 135,000 Btu.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EIA submitted an information collection request for extension as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection requests a three-year extension with changes to Form FE-746R, "Natural Gas Imports and Exports," OMB Control Number 1901–0294. The information collection request supports DOE's Office of Fossil Energy (FE) in gathering critical information on the U.S. trade in natural gas, including liquefied natural gas (LNG). The data are used to monitor natural gas trade, assess the adequacy of U.S. energy resources to meet near and longer term domestic demands, and

support various market and regulatory analyses done by FE.

DATES: Comments on this information collection must be received no later than April 8, 2019. If you anticipate any difficulties in submitting your comments by the deadline, contact the DOE Desk Officer at (202) 395–0710.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to:

DOE Desk Officer: Brandon DeBruhl, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503. Brandon_F_DeBruhl@omb.eop.gov.

Marc Talbert, U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Office of Regulation and International Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-042, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20503. marc.talbert@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Marc Talbert, (202) 586–7991, marc.talbert@hq.doe.gov. Form FE—746R and its instructions can be viewed at http://energy.gov/fe/services/naturalgas-regulation/guidelines-filingmonthly-reports.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains:

- (1) OMB No. 1901-0294;
- (2) Information Collection Request Title: "Natural Gas Imports and Exports;"
- (3) Three-year extension with changes;
- (4) Purpose: The Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 761 et seq.) and the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.) require EIA to carry out a centralized, comprehensive, and unified energy information program. This program collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates information on energy resource reserves, production, demand, technology, and related economic and statistical information. Additionally, FE is authorized to regulate natural gas imports and exports, including LNG, under 15 U.S.C. 717b. In order to carry out its statutory responsibilities, FE requires anyone seeking to import or export natural gas to file an application and provide basic information on the scope and nature of the proposed import/export activity. Additionally, once an importer or exporter receives an authorization from FE, they are required

to submit monthly reports of all import and/or export transactions.

Specifically, the Form FE-746R requires the reporting of the following information by every holder of a DOE/ FE import or export authorization: The name of importer/exporter; country of origin/destination; international point of entry/exit; name of supplier; volume; price; transporters; U.S. geographic market(s) served; and duration of supply contract on a monthly basis. This information is used by both EIA and FE to assess the adequacy of energy resources to meet near and longer term domestic demands, and by FE in the management of its natural gas regulatory program.

Data collected on Form FE–746R are published in *Natural Gas Imports and Exports, LNG Monthly Report,* and in EIA official statistics on U.S. natural gas supply and disposition. In addition, the data are used to monitor the North American natural gas trade, which, in turn, enables the Federal government to perform market and regulatory analyses; improve the capability of industry and the government to respond to any future energy-related supply problems; and keep the general public informed of international natural gas trade;

(4a) Changes to Information Collection: FE will collect heat content in Btu per cubic foot for LNG imports and exports to account for variations in the heat content of gas being imported from and exported to various countries. This change improves the quality of the import and export volume data by applying an objective standardized unit of measurement. Also, FE will use the exemptions under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to protect certain information reported on Form FE-746R, including the heat content of LNG imported and exported, prices of natural gas (including LNG) imported and exported, and the specific purchaser and end-user. The data protection statement for information reported on Form FE-746R will read:

"Information reported on Form FE—746R is considered public information and may be publicly released in company identifiable form, except that the following information will be protected and not disclosed to the public to the extent that it satisfies the criteria for exemption under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, and the Department of Energy (DOE) regulations, 10 C.FR. § 1004.11, implementing the FOIA:

 Price at Import or Export Point for all forms of natural gas imported and exported, including LNG; • Name of the Specific Purchaser/End User for all forms of natural gas imports and exports, including LNG, for all modes of transportation except by pipeline; and

 Heat content for all forms of natural gas imported and exported."

Published LNG import and export prices will no longer be reported for each individual cargo, but rather will be aggregated for all LNG cargoes by month at each point of export. This change is consistent with the publication of statistical aggregates for the prices reported for natural gas imported and exported by pipeline. Additionally, there may be some statistics that are based on data from fewer than three import or export transactions. In these cases, it may be possible for a knowledgeable person to closely estimate the information reported by a specific respondent.

Data protection methods will not be applied to the aggregate statistical data published from submissions on Form FE–746R.

(5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 371;

(6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 4,452;

(7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 13,356;

(8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: The cost of the burden hours is estimated to be \$988,611. EIA estimates that there are no additional costs to respondents associated with the surveys other than the costs associated with the burden hours.

Statutory Authority: 15 U.S.C. 772(b), 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*, 15 U.S.C. 717b.

Signed in Washington, DC, on March 4, 2019.

Shawn Bennett,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Oil and Natural Gas.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC19–64–000. Applicants: Brickyard Hills Project, LLC, Union Electric Company.

Description: Joint Application for Authorization Under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, et al. of Union Electric Company, et al. Filed Date: 3/4/19.

Accession Number: 20190304–5065. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/19.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER16–1969–005. Applicants: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. Description: Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc. submits compliance filing: Addtl. compliance report filing to address NIPSCO Order EL13–88, et al. to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 2/28/19.

Accession Number: 20190228–5367. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/21/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19–158–001. Applicants: Ambit Northeast, LLC. Description: Report Filing: Refund

Report Filing to be effective N/A. *Filed Date:* 3/1/19.

Accession Number: 20190301–5335. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/22/19. Docket Numbers: ER19–1174–000.

Applicants: Pacific Gas and Electric

Company.

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Description: Tariff Cancellation: Notice of Termination of PG&E Rate Schedule FERC No. 243 (CCSF Ravenswood TFA) to be effective 5/2/ 2019.

Filed Date: 3/1/19.

Accession Number: 20190301–5348. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/22/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19–1175–000. Applicants: Northern Indiana Public

Service Company.

Description: Annual Informational Attachment O filing of Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC.

Filed Date: 3/1/19.

Accession Number: 20190301–5361. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/22/19.

Docket Numbers: ER19–1176–000. Applicants: Black Hills Power, Inc. Description: Annual Informational

Attachment H filing of Black Hills Power, Inc.

Filed Date: 3/1/19.

 $\begin{array}{l} Accession\ Number: 20190301-5365. \\ Comments\ Due: 5\ p.m.\ ET\ 3/22/19. \end{array}$

Docket Numbers: ER19–1177–000. Applicants: Southwest Power Pool,

Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 1630R9 The Empire District Electric Company NITSA and NOA to be effective 2/1/2019.

Filed Date: 3/4/19.

Accession Number: 20190304–5019. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/25/19. Docket Numbers: ER19–1178–000. Applicants: Southwest Power Pool,

nc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 3215R5 People's Electric Cooperative NITSA NOA to be effective 2/1/2019.