Bluestone Gas Corporation of New York, Inc.

Description: Millennium Pipeline Company, L.L.C. et. al. submit Joint Abbreviated Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, Limited Jurisdiction Certificate, and Related Authorization re the proposed BEST Project.

Filed Date: 3/13/25.

Accession Number: 20250313–5199. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/3/25.

Docket Numbers: PR25–43–000.

Applicants: Public Service Company of Colorado.

*Description:* § 284.123(g) Rate Filing: Statement of Rates\_02-17-2025 to be effective 2/17/2025.

Filed Date: 3/19/25.

Accession Number: 20250319–5125. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/9/25. § 284.123(g) Protest: 5 p.m. ET 5/19/ 25.

Docket Numbers: RP25–718–000. Applicants: Vector Pipeline L.P. Description: Annual Fuel Use Report for 2024 of Vector Pipeline L.P.

Filed Date: 3/19/25.

Accession Number: 20250319–5151. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/31/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25-719-000. Applicants: Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P.

Description: Annual Transportation Retainage Report of Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P.

Filed Date: 3/19/25.

Accession Number: 20250319–5211. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 3/31/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25-720-000.

Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 3.20.25 Negotiated Rates—Castleton

Commodities Merchant Trading R–4010–06 to be effective 4/1/2025.

Filed Date: 3/20/25.

Accession Number: 20250320–5027. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/1/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25-721-000.

Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 3.20.25 Negotiated Rates—Emera Energy Services, Inc. R–2715–97 to be effective 4/1/2025.

Filed Date: 3/20/25.

Accession Number: 20250320–5028. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/1/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25–722–000. Applicants: Iroquois Gas

Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 3.20.25 Negotiated Rates—Emera Energy Services, Inc. R–2715–98 to be effective 4/1/2025.

Filed Date: 3/20/25.

Accession Number: 20250320–5029. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/1/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25–723–000. Applicants: Millennium Pipeline Company, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Amendment No. 151487–6—Coterra to be effective 4/1/2025.

Filed Date: 3/20/25.

Accession Number: 20250320–5034. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/1/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25-724-000.

Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 3.20.25 Negotiated Rates—Emera Energy Services, Inc. R–2715–100 to be effective 4/1/2025.

Filed Date: 3/20/25.

Accession Number: 20250320–5040. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/1/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25–725–000. *Applicants:* Iroquois Gas

Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 3.20.25 Negotiated Rates—Emera Energy Services, Inc. R-2715-101 to be effective 4/1/2025.

Filed Date: 3/20/25.

Accession Number: 20250320–5043. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/1/25.

Docket Numbers: RP25-726-000.

Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 3.20.25 Negotiated Rates—Emera Energy Services, Inc. R-2715-102 to be effective 4/1/2025.

Filed Date: 3/20/25.

Accession Number: 20250320–5047. Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 4/1/25.

Any person desiring to intervene, to protest, or to answer a complaint in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211, 214, or 206 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214, or 385.206) 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.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercgensearch.asp) by querying the docket number.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: https://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

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public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, community organizations, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502–6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

Dated: March 20, 2025.

Carlos D. Clay,

Deputy Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC25-5-000]

## Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–545); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection 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 collection, "FERC 545: Gas Pipeline Rates: Rate Change (Non-Formal)". No comments were received on the 60-day notice that was published on January 8, 2025.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due April 25, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC–545 to OMB through www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Please identify the OMB Control Number (FERC 545: 1902–0154) in the subject line of your comments. Comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.

Please submit copies of your comments to the Commission. You may submit copies of your comments (identified by Docket No. IC25–5–000) by one of the following methods:

Electronic filing through https://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 other delivery methods:
- Mail via U.S. Postal Service Only:
   Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,
   Secretary of the Commission, 888 First
   Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.
- All other delivery methods: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,
   Secretary of the Commission, 12225
   Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Instructions: OMB submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Using the search function under the "Currently Under Review" field, select Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; click "submit," and select "comment" to the right of the subject collection.

FERC submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview. 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 https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kayla Williams may be reached by email at *DataClearance@FERC.gov*, telephone at (202) 502–6468.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* FERC–545: Gas Pipeline Rates: Rate Change (Non-formal).

OMB Control No.: 1902-0154.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC–545 information collection requirements with no changes to the reporting requirements.

Abstract: FERC-545 is required to implement sections 4, 5, and 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. 717c, 717d, and 717o). NGA Sections 4, 5, and 16 authorize the Commission to inquire into rate structures and methodologies and to set rates at a just and reasonable level. Specifically, a natural gas company must obtain Commission authorization for all rates and charges made, demanded, or received in connection with the transportation or sale of natural gas in interstate commerce. FERC-545 consists of: (1) Tariff Filings which are filings regarding proposed changes to a pipeline's tariff and any related compliance filings; 2) Rate Filings which are rate-related filings under NGA sections 4 and 5 and any related compliance filings and settlements; (3) Informational Reports, for example, annual reconciliation reports. (4) Negotiated Rates and Non-Conforming Agreement Filings; (5) North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB) Filings; (6) Market-Based Rates for Storage Filings; and (6) the Labor-Wage Policy which allows jurisdictional entities to include wages consistent with project-area standards in cost-of-service rates filed with the Commission where the record supports that outcome.

Under the NGA, a natural gas company's rates must be just and reasonable and not unduly discriminatory or preferential. The Commission may act under different sections of the NGA to effect a change in a natural gas company's rates. When the Commission reviews rate increases that a natural gas company has proposed, it is subject to the requirement of section 4(e) of the NGA. These types of filings are referred to as general section 4 rate cases. In the proceedings, the Commission reviews a pipeline's rates and services. A pipeline

can file a general section 4 rate case anytime it wishes, provided the pipeline did not agree otherwise in a settlement. A pipeline must demonstrate that the new rates it proposes to charge are just and reasonable. When a rate increase filing is made pursuant to section 4, the application is typically suspended and set for hearing by a Commission Order. On the other hand, when the Commission seeks to impose its own rate determination, it must do so in compliance with section 5(a) of the NGA. Under section 5, the Commission must first establish and demonstrate that a pipeline's existing rate is no longer just and reasonable.

Section 16 of the NGA states that the Commission "shall have the power to perform any and all acts, and to prescribe, issue, make, amend, and rescind such orders, rules, and regulations as it may find necessary or appropriate to carry out provisions of [the NGA]." In other words, section 16 of the NGA grants the Commission the power to define accounting, technical and trade terms, prescribe forms, statements, declarations or reports and to prescribe rules and regulations.

Pipelines adjust their tariffs to meet market and customer needs.
Commission review of these proposed changes is required to ensure rates remain just and reasonable and that services are not provided in an unduly or preferential manner. The Commission's regulation in 18 CFR part 154 specifies what changes are allowed and the procedures for requesting Commission approval.

*Type of Respondents:* Jurisdictional natural gas companies.

Estimate of Annual Burden: ¹ The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collection as:

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	Number of respondents	Average number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response 2	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)
Tariff Filings	141	3	423	211 hrs.; \$22,999	89,253 hrs.; \$9,728,577	\$68,997
Rate Filings	19	2	38	354 hrs.; \$38,586	13,452 hrs.; \$1,466,268	77,172
Informational Reports	80	2	160	235 hrs.; \$25,615	37,600 hrs.; \$4,098,400	51,230
Negotiated Rates & Non-Conforming Agreement Filings.	75	8	600	233 hrs.; \$25,397	139,800 hrs.; \$15,238,200.	203,176
Market-Base Rates for Storage Filings	2	1	2	230 hrs.; \$25,070	460 hrs.; \$50,140	25,070
NAESB (version 3.2) one time over 3 years carried over from RM96–1–042 3.	59.33	1	59.33	10 hrs.; \$1,090	593.30 hrs.; \$64,669.70	1,090
Labor-Wage Policy <sup>4</sup>	11	1	11	15 hrs.; \$1,635	165 hrs.; \$17,985	1,635

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to

# FERC-545—GAS PIPELINE RATES: RATE CHANGE—Continued [Non-Formal] [No change]

	Number of respondents	Average number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response <sup>2</sup>	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)
Total (Including Section 4 Rate Cases).			1,293 (rounded)		281,323 hrs. (rounded); \$30,664,240.	

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of 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 collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: March 20, 2025.

#### Carlos D. Clay,

Deputy Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7274-035]

## Town of Wells; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* Subsequent License.
  - b. *Project No.:* 7274–035.
  - c. Date Filed: July 31, 2023.
  - d. Applicant: Town of Wells.
- e. *Name of Project:* Lake Algonquin Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: On the Sacandaga River in the town of Wells, Hamilton County, New York.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Matthew Taylor, Principle-in-Charge, GZA GeoEnvironmental of New York, 104 West 29th Street, 10th Floor, New York 10001; Phone at (781) 278–5803 or email at matthew.taylor@gza.com; or Beth Hunt, Supervisor, Town of Wells, P.O. Box 205, Wells, New York 12190; Phone at (518) 924–7912 or email at beth-hunt@townofwells.org.
- i. FERC Contact: Samantha Pollak at (202) 502–6419, or samantha.pollak@ferc gov
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and protests using the Commission's eFiling system at https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOnline.aspx.
Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system

at https://ferconline.ferc.gov/ QuickComment.aspx. 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, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Lake Algonquin Hydroelectric Project (P-7274-035).

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. This application has been accepted for filing but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

1. The Lake Algonquin Hydroelectric Project consists of the following facilities: (1) a 239-foot-long, 26.5-foothigh concrete gravity dam composed of an ogee spillway section at each end and a gated spillway section in the middle with three steel 19-foot-wide by 12-foot-high vertical lift roller gates; (2) an impoundment with a surface area of 275 acres and a storage capacity of 2,557 acre-feet at an elevation of 986.84 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929; (3) a 27-foot-high, 21-foot-wide, 52-foot-long intake structure; (4) a 10foot-diameter, 113-foot-long steel penstock; (5) a 25-foot-wide, 63-footlong concrete, steel, and masonry powerhouse containing one Kaplan turbine unit with a rated capacity of 740 kilowatts; (6) a 480-volt/4.8-kilovolt

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) provided in this section is based on the salary figures for May 2023 posted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Utilities sector (available at https:// www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics3 221000.htm) and scaled to reflect benefits using the relative importance of employer costs for employee compensation from March 2023 available at https:// www.bls.gov/news.release/ecec.nr0.htm). The hourly estimates for salary plus benefits are: Computer and Information Systems Manager (Occupation Code: 11-3021), \$115.47; Computer and Information Analysts (Occupation Code: 15-1210), \$80.10; Electrical Engineer (Occupation Code: 17-2071), \$79.31; Legal (Occupation Code: 23-0000), \$162.66. The average hourly cost (salary plus benefits) weighting all of the above skill sets evenly, is \$109.38. We round it to \$109/hour.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> At the time of this notice for extension request, Docket No. RM96-1-043 was issued by the Commission on November 22, 2024. The Order updated the requirement to reflect the Wholesale Gas Quadrant (WGQ) 4.0 standards. OMB has not yet approved this modification as it has not published in the Federal Register, which is required for Information Collection Requests (ICRs) to be submitted. However, to prevent a lapse in the approval of the existing collection's expiration date, the Commission is publishing this Notice with the currently approved burden estimates that involve the NAESB standards (59.33 responses). The undated burden estimates for the NAESB revisions will increase the burden to 64.33 (rounded) responses, which is the average number of responses per annum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Project-Area Wage Standards in the Labor Cost Component of Cost-of-Service Rates under Docket No. PL24–1–000 was issued on March 21, 2024, which allows jurisdictional entities to include wages consistent with project-area standards in cost-of-service rates filed with the Commission where the record supports that outcome.