

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

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<p>1. Agency/Subagency originating request Federal Energy Regulatory Commission</p>	<p>2. OMB control number a. <u>1_9_0_2</u> - <u>0_0_0_4</u> b. <input type="checkbox"/> None</p>																																
<p>3. Type of information Collection (<i>check one</i>) a. <input type="checkbox"/> New Collection b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revision of a currently approved collection c. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of a currently approved collection d. <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired e. <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired f. <input type="checkbox"/> Existing collection in use without an OMB control number <i>For b-f, note item A2 of Supporting Statement instructions</i></p>	<p>4. Type of review requested (<i>check one</i>) a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular b. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency - Approval requested by: <u> / / </u> c. <input type="checkbox"/> Delegated</p> <p>5. Small entities Will this information collection have any significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>																																
<p>6. Requested expiration date a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three years from approval date b. <input type="checkbox"/> Other Specify: <u> / / </u></p>																																	
<p>7. Title Report of Service Interruptions, RM06-18-000 Final Rule, Revision of Regulations to Require Reporting of Damage to Natural Gas Facilities</p>																																	
<p>8. Agency form numbers(s) (<i>if applicable</i>) FERC-576</p>																																	
<p>9. Keywords 'gas pipeline operations, fuel supplies, fuels'</p>																																	
<p>10. Abstract In RM06-18-000, FERC is amending its regulations to require natural gas pipeline companies to inform FERC promptly of damage to any natural gas pipeline facilities under its jurisdiction, instead of informing FERC merely of service interruptions arising from damage as is the current practice. The Commission is also eliminating regulatory language that refers to filing by telegraph and to require electronic filing or by facsimile. These changes are necessitated by widespread damage to natural gas production and transmission facilities caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in late summer of 2005 and provide for better reporting mechanisms during hurricane season of 2006.</p>																																	
<p>11. Affected public (<i>Mark primary with [P] and all others that apply with [X]</i>) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals or household b. <input type="checkbox"/> Business or other for-profit c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not-for-profit institutions d. <input type="checkbox"/> Farms e. <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Government f. <input type="checkbox"/> State, Local or Tribal Government</p>	<p>12. Obligation to respond (<i>Mark primary with [P] and all others that apply with [X]</i>) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary b. <input type="checkbox"/> Required to obtain or retain benefits c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory</p>																																
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<p>15. Purpose of information collection (<i>mark primary with [P] and all others that apply with [X]</i>) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Application for benefits b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program evaluation c. <input type="checkbox"/> General purpose statistics d. <input type="checkbox"/> Audit e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program planning or management f. <input type="checkbox"/> Research g. <input type="checkbox"/> P_Regulatory or compliance</p>	<p>16. Frequency of recordkeeping or reporting (<i>check all that apply</i>) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Recordkeeping b. <input type="checkbox"/> Third party disclosure c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reporting 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On occasion 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-annually 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annually 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Biennially 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)</p>																																
<p>17. Statistical Methods Does this information collection employ statistical methods? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>18. Agency contact (<i>person who can best answer questions regarding the content of this submission</i>) Name: <u>Howard Wheeler</u> Phone: <u>(202)502-8688</u></p>																																

19. Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions

On behalf of this Federal agency, I certify that the collection of information encompassed by this request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9.

NOTE: The test of 5 CFR 1320.9, and the related provisions of 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3), appear at the end of the instructions. *The certification is to be made with reference to those regulatory provisions as set forth in the instructions.*

The following is a summary of the topics, regarding the proposed collection of information, that the certification covers;

- (a) It is necessary for the proper performance of agency functions;
- (b) It avoids unnecessary duplication;
- (c) It reduces burden on small entities;
- (d) It uses plain, coherent, and unambiguous terminology that is understandable to respondents;
- (e) Its implementations will be consistent and compatible with current reporting and recordkeeping practices;
- (f) It indicates the retention periods for recordkeeping requirements;
- (g) It informs respondents of the information called for under 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3):
 - (i) Why the information is being collected;
 - (ii) Use of information;
 - (iii) Burden estimate;
 - (iv) Nature of response (voluntary, required for a benefit, or mandatory);
 - (v) Nature and extent of confidentiality; and
 - (vi) Need to display currently valid OMB control number.
- (h) It was developed by an office that has planned and allocated for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected (see note in Item 19 of the instructions);
- (i) It uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology; and
- (j) It makes appropriate use of information technology.

If you are unable to certify compliance with any of these provisions, identify the item below and explain the reason in Item 18 of the Supporting Statement.

Item nos 19(g)(vi). See Item no. 17 of Supporting Statement.
Item no. 19(i). See Item no. 18 of Supporting Statement

Signature of Senior Official or designee

Michael P. Miller, Information Clearance Officer, FERC

Date