PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

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Agency/Subagency originating request	2. OMB control number b. [] None
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission	a. <u>1 9 0 2</u> - 0 0 8 4
3. Type of information Collection (<i>check one</i>) a. [] New Collection b. [] Revision of a currently approved collection c. [X] Extension of a currently approved collection d. [] Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired e. [] Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired f. [] Existing collection in use without an OMB control number	4. Type of review requested (check one) a. [X] Regular b. [] Emergency - Approval requested by:/_/ c. [] Delegated 5. Small entities Will this information collection have any significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities? [] Yes [X] No
For b-f, note item A2 of Supporting Statement instructions	6. Requested expiration date a. [X] Three years from approval date b. [] Other Specify:/
7. Title Gas Pipeline Rates: Refund Report Requirements	
8. Agency form numbers(s) (if applicable) FERC-547	
9. Keywords 'gas pipeline operations, fuel prices, transportation rates'	
10. Abstract FERC-547 was created in response to sections 4, 5 and 16 of the Natural Gas Act, 15 U.S.C. 717-717w. Sections 4 and 5 authorize the Commission to order a refund, with interest, on any portion of a natural gas company's increased rate or charge that is found to be unjust or unreasonable. Refunds may also be instituted by a natural gas company as stipulation to a Commission approved settlement agreement or as a provision under the company's tariff. Section 16 authorizes the Commission to prescribe the rules and reporting requirements necessary to administer its refund mandates. The data collected under FERC-547 allows the Commission to monitor refunds owed by natural gas companies and to ensure the flow through of the refunds, with applicable interest, to the appropriate customers and ultimately to the residential customers and end users.	
11. Affected public (Mark primary with IPI) and all others that apply with IXI) a x _ Individuals or household	12. Obligation to respond (Mark primary with IPI and all others that apply with IXI) a. [] Voluntary b. [] Required to obtain or retain benefits c. [x] Mandatory
13. Annual reporting and recordkeeping hour burden a. Number of respondents b. Total annual responses collected electronically c. Total annual hours requested d. Current OMB inventory e. Difference 1. Program change 2. Adjustment 60 40 40 40 40 4,500 5,625 6, Difference 1,125	14. Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars) a. Total annualized capital/startup costs b. Total annual costs (O&M) c. Total annualized cost requested d. Current OMB inventory e. Difference f. Explanation of difference 1. Program change 2. Adjustment s \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$
15. Purpose of information collection (mark primary with @P@ and all others that apply with @X@) a Application for benefits e Program planning or management bx_ Program evaluation f Research c General purpose statistics gP_ Regulatory or compliance d Audit	16. Frequency of recordkeeping or reporting (check all that apply) a. [] Recordkeeping b. Il Third party disclosure c. [x] Reporting 1. [x] On occasion 2. [] Weekly 3. [] Monthly 4. [] Quarterly 5. [] Semi-annually 6. [] Annually 7. [] Biennially 8. [] Other (describe)
Statistical Methods Does this information collection employ statistical methods? [] Yes [X] No	18. Agency contact (person who can best answer questions regarding the content of this submission) Name: Patricia Morris Phone: (202)502-8730

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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 froth 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 no. 19 (g)(vi) See item no. 17 of Supporting Statement. Item no. 19 (i). See Item no. 18 of the Supporting Statement

Signature of Senior Official or designee	Date
Michael P. Miller, Information Clearance Officer, FERC	

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