

The following information provides a comparison of the estimated annual burden and cost in the existing OMB approval with this request for a 3-year extension.

FERC-500	Number of Respondents Annually (1)	Number of Responses Per Respondent (2)	Average Burden Hours Per Response (3)	Total Annual Burden Hours (1)x(2)x(3)	Total Annual Private Sector Costs (\$)	Annual Costs to Federal Gov't. (\$) ¹
Current clearance, approved by OMB through 10/31/2009 ²	13	1	35,620	463,060	\$24,128,000	\$6,289 Error: Reference source not found
This request for OMB approval through 10/31/2012 ³	6	1	105,839.5	635,037	\$38,587,542	\$2,824,014 Error: Reference source not found
Difference (this extension request minus figures for existing OMB approval)	-7	0	+70,219.5	+171,977	The new figures are based on data from actual filers. Error: Reference source not found See responses to Questions	See response to Question 14. Error: Reference source not found

¹ The estimate for cost to the federal government in the current inventory only reflects the cost of information clearance. As stated in the supporting statement from 2006, the “[a]nalysis of data (FERC hydropower licensing program[]) is reimbursed by licensees pursuant to Section 10(e) of the Federal Power Act”. The estimate for cost to the federal government in this request, submitted in 2009, includes average annual estimates for:

- processing time, that continues to be reimbursed by licensees, and
- information clearance (\$1,480).

² The OMB approval for clearance through 10/31/2009 contained these estimates.

³ Per sections 4.41 (e) (9), 4.51 (e) (7) and 4.61 (c) (3), applicants are now required to submit their total cost of collection; these figures were used in determining the average burden hours. The information presented here is based on actual Fiscal Years (FYs) 2007 and 2008 filings. Seventeen filers of FERC-500 provided cost data; their total annual cost for the collection was \$109,331,372 (giving an average of \$6,431,257 per response).

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