

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RD16-1-000]

**Notice on Agency Information Collection (FERC-725L)****AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) invites public comment in Docket No. RD16-1-000 on a non-material or non-substantive change to the collection of information (FERC-725L) that the Commission is submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before April 13, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments filed with OMB, identified by the OMB Control No. 1902-0261 or collection number (FERC-725L), should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at: [oira\\_submission@omb.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.gov). Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. The Desk Officer may also be reached via telephone at 202-395-0710.

A copy of the comments, identified by docket number, should also be sent to the Commission in one of the following ways:

- Electronic Filing through <http://www.ferc.gov>. Documents created electronically using word processing software should be filed in native applications or print-to-PDF format and not in a scanned format.
- Mail/Hand Delivery: Those unable to file electronically may mail or hand-deliver an original of their comments to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,

Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission will submit the reporting and recordkeeping requirements of Reliability Standard MOD-031-2 to OMB for review of a non-material or non-substantive change. Reliability Standard MOD-031-2 replaces or supplements requirements from previous versions of the MOD-031 Reliability Standard, which are approved under FERC-725L (Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System: MOD Reliability Standards).

*Type of Request:* Approval of a non-material or non-substantive change to the FERC-725L information collection requirements.

*Abstract:* The Commission requires the information collected by the FERC-725L to implement the statutory provisions of section 215 of the Federal Power Act (FPA).<sup>1</sup> On August 8, 2005, Congress enacted into law the Electricity Modernization Act of 2005, which is Title XII, Subtitle A, of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPA 2005).<sup>2</sup> EPA 2005 added a new section 215 to the FPA, which required a Commission-certified Electric Reliability Organization (ERO) to develop mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards, which are subject to Commission review and approval. Once approved, the Reliability Standards may be enforced by the ERO subject to Commission oversight, or the Commission can independently enforce Reliability Standards.<sup>3</sup>

On February 3, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 672, implementing section 215 of the FPA.<sup>4</sup> Pursuant to Order No. 672, the Commission certified one organization, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), as the ERO.<sup>5</sup> The Reliability Standards developed by the ERO and approved by

<sup>1</sup> 16 U.S.C. 824o (2012).

<sup>2</sup> Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. 109-58, Title XII, Subtitle A, 119 Stat. 594, 941 (codified at 16 U.S.C. 824o).

<sup>3</sup> 16 U.S.C. 824o(e)(3).

<sup>4</sup> *Rules Concerning Certification of the Electric Reliability Organization; and Procedures for the Establishment, Approval, and Enforcement of Electric Reliability Standards*, Order No. 672, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,204, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 672-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,212 (2006).

<sup>5</sup> *North American Electric Reliability Corp.*, 116 FERC ¶ 61,062, *order on reh'g and compliance*, 117 FERC ¶ 61,126 (2006), *order on compliance*, 118 FERC ¶ 61,190, *order on reh'g*, 119 FERC ¶ 61,046 (2007), *aff'd sub nom. Alcoa Inc. v. FERC*, 564 F.3d 1342 (D.C. Cir. 2009).

the Commission apply to users, owners and operators of the Bulk-Power System as set forth in each Reliability Standard.

The Reliability Standard MOD-031-2 achieves the same reliability purpose of the prior version MOD-031-1. This standard provides authority for Bulk-Power System planners and operators to collect demand, energy, and related data to support reliability studies and assessments, and enumerates the responsibilities and obligations of requestors and respondents of that data.

In its November 13, 2015 petition, NERC states that Reliability Standard MOD-031-2 is an improvement to the existing version of the standard because it clarifies the compliance obligations related to (1) providing data to Regional Entities and (2) responding to a request for data subject to confidentiality restrictions. NERC also states that the improvements to the Reliability Standard are consistent with the Commission directives in Order No. 804.<sup>6</sup> In Order No. 804, the Commission approved Reliability Standard MOD-031. However, the Commission also directed, pursuant to 215(d)(5) of the FPA, that NERC develop a modification to Reliability Standard MOD-031-1 to clarify that planning coordinators and balancing authorities must provide demand and energy data upon request of a Regional Entity, as necessary to support NERC's development of seasonal and long-term reliability assessments.

In a Delegated Letter Order in Docket No. RD16-1, the Commission approved the proposed Reliability Standard MOD-031-2 on February 18, 2016.<sup>7</sup>

FERC is not changing the way the FERC-725L collection is being done, and is not modifying the burden, cost, or respondents. The reporting and recordkeeping requirements will be submitted to the OMB as a non-material or non-substantive change to the currently approved FERC-725L collection.

*Type of Respondents:* Distribution Providers (DP), Load-Serving Entities (LSE), Transmission Planner (TP), and Balancing Authorities (BA).

*Estimate of Annual Burden.*<sup>8</sup> The burden and cost are not expected to

<sup>6</sup> NERC Petition at 2, n.8 citing *Demand and Energy Data Reliability Standard*, Order No. 804, 150 FERC ¶ 61,109 at PP 14-15 (2015).

<sup>7</sup> The Delegated Letter Order is available in FERC's eLibrary at <http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/common/opennat.asp?fileID=14148897>.

<sup>8</sup> The Commission defines burden as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a federal agency. See 5 CFR part 1320 for more information.

change from the figures currently approved by the OMB.<sup>9</sup>

Dated: March 8, 2016.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP16-80-000]

#### ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

Take notice that on February 29, 2016, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), filed an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, requesting the Commission's approval to abandon in place five compressor units installed in ANR's Southeast Mainline segment, located in Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Indiana. Also, ANR proposes to abandon associated short haul capacity and appurtenances. The filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Linda Farquhar, Manager, Project Determinations and Regulatory Administration, ANR Pipeline Company, 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77002-2700, phone (832) 320-5685, email: [linda\\_farquhar@transcanada.com](mailto:linda_farquhar@transcanada.com).

ANR states that after the evaluation of the compressor units needed for transporting gas under the various flow and contractual scenarios, ANR determined to abandon in place one compressor unit at each of Delhi, Brownsville, and Shelbyville compressor stations, and two units at Sardis compressor station. The total horsepower (hp) of the abandoned compressor units is 31,800 hp. ANR also request to abandon 36 MMcf/day of short-haul capacity on the segment

northbound from Eunice to the Celestine compressor station, and appurtenances. ANR states that this abandonment of the short-haul capacity will not affect the available, unsubscribed capacity remaining along this segment.

Pursuant to Section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding, or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 5 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the

Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Motions to intervene, protests and comments may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper; see, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on March 29, 2016.

Dated: March 8, 2016.

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*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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#### Notice of Intent to Prepare Environmental Assessments and Revised Procedural Schedule

FFP Missouri 16, LLC ..... Project No. 13753-002  
 FFP Missouri 15, LLC ..... Project No. 13762-002

<sup>9</sup> The current burden inventory for FERC-725L, as modified by the Final Rule (Order No. 804) in

Docket No. RM14-12 (80 FR 9596, 2/24/2015), was approved by the OMB on 4/24/2015.