

Welcome Letter to New Respondents on the Electric and Solar (PV) Data Collection Program
(geared toward the plants in Puerto Rico that may be required to file Forms EIA-860 and EIA-861)

Dear **(enter name of potential primary contact)**,

The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) within the U.S. Department of Energy collects a wide variety of information from entities involved in the energy industry, including electric generators. By notice of the proposed data collection announced in the U.S. Federal Register published on May 19, 2016, EIA proposed changes to the information collected on EIA surveys that cover the electric and solar photovoltaic (PV) data collection. This program includes [Forms EIA-63B, EIA-411, EIA-826, EIA-860, EIA-861, EIA 923, and EIA-930](#). These forms are collected pursuant to the Federal Energy Administration (FEA) Act of 1974, Public Law 93-275, and response is **mandatory** under the Act.

In response to the May 19, 2016 Federal Register Notice (FRN), EIA received a comment from the Instituto de Estadísticas de Puerto Rico. The comment requested “On behalf of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ... that EIA begin gathering electric power data from companies operating in Puerto Rico through the EIA’s Annual Electric Generator Report (Form EIA-860) and the Power Plant Operations Report (Form EIA-923).” After reviewing this comment, EIA agreed that collecting these data would aid in “providing the public and private sectors of Puerto Rico with the information needed to monitor and understand the current status, needs, and trends in Puerto Rico’s electric power industry.” Subsequently, as detailed in the attached FRN dated XX-XX-16, EIA is proposing to require your plant to file Forms EIA-860 and EIA-923.

This email and the attached FRN are provided to notify you of EIA’s proposal to require your company to report electric power generation information to EIA and provide you with an opportunity to submit comments. If you wish to provide comments, please follow the instructions in the attached FRN.

For further information, please refer to [EIA’s 2017 Reclearance Webpage](#) where you will find additional details. Please do not hesitate to [contact us](#) if you have questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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