

proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 1, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED–2017–ICCD–0107. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 216–44, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Samuel Pierre, 202–245–6488.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

**Title of Collection:** Annual Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR) Program Assurances.

**OMB Control Number:** 1820–0625.

**Type of Review:** An extension of an existing information collection.

**Respondents/Affected Public:** Private Sector.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:** 57.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 9.

**Abstract:** Section 509 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (act), and its implementing Federal Regulations at 34 CFR part 381, require the Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR) grantees to submit an application to the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) Commissioner in order to receive assistance under Section 509 of the act. The act requires that the application contain Assurances to which the grantee must comply. Section 509(f) of the act specifies the Assurances. There are 57 PAIR grantees. All 57 grantees are required to be part of the protection and advocacy system in each State established under the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 6041 *et seq.*).

Dated: September 27, 2017.

**Tomakie Washington,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Energy Information Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Extension, With Changes

**AGENCY:** U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for OMB review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** The information collection requests a three-year extension of Form EIA–914 *Monthly Crude Oil and Lease Condensate, and Natural Gas Production Report*, OMB Control Number 1905–0205. This survey collects monthly state level data by well operator on crude oil and natural gas production within the United States. These data are used by EIA to estimate state, regional, and U.S. crude oil and natural gas production.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before November 1,

2017. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the DOE Desk Officer at OMB of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202–395–4718.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to the:

DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, *Chad S Whiteman@omb.eop.gov*

And to:

U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Energy Information Administration, Attn: Jessica Biercevicz, EI–24, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, *jessica.biercevicz@eia.gov*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Jessica Biercevicz, Phone: 202–586–4299, Email: *jessica.biercevicz@eia.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. 1905–0205; (2) Information Collection Request Title: *Monthly Crude Oil and Lease Condensate, and Natural Gas Production Report*; (3) Type of Request: Three-year extension with changes; (4) Purpose: Form EIA–914 *Monthly Crude Oil and Lease Condensate, and Natural Gas Production Report*, collects monthly data on natural gas production, crude oil and lease condensate production, and crude oil and lease condensate sales by API gravity category in 22 states/areas (Alabama, Arkansas, California (including State Offshore), Colorado, Federal Offshore Gulf of Mexico, Federal Offshore Pacific, Kansas, Louisiana (including State Offshore), Michigan, Mississippi (including State Offshore), Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas (including State Offshore), Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wyoming, and Other States (defined as all remaining states, except Alaska)). The data are published in the *Monthly Crude Oil and Lease Condensate, and Natural Gas Production Report* on EIA's Web site, and in the EIA publications: *Monthly Energy Review*, *Petroleum Supply Annual* volume I, *Petroleum Supply Annual* volume II, *Petroleum Supply Monthly*, *Natural Gas Annual*, and *Natural Gas Monthly*.

**(4a) Changes to Information Collection**

(1) Change the title from “Monthly Crude Oil, Lease Condensate, and Natural Gas Production Report,” to “Monthly Crude Oil and Lease Condensate, and Natural Gas Production Report.”

(2) For Sections 2 and 3, instead of selecting only one pre-existing comment in the comments box, the box will allow for the selection of multiple frequently-used pre-existing comments, as well as the ability to write-in producer specific comments.

(3) EIA will publish separate estimates for Alabama, Federal Offshore Pacific, Michigan, Mississippi, and Virginia and will no longer include data for these states in the “Other States” category. To separately publish these five new states/areas, EIA will collect crude oil and lease condensate production, crude oil and lease condensate sales (run ticket) volumes by API gravity, natural gas gross withdrawals, and natural gas lease production volumes. As a result, EIA will publish data for a total of 21 states/areas and one category designated “Other States.” The “Other States,” category will include the remaining states of Arizona, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New York, Oregon, Tennessee, and South Dakota.

(5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 500; (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 6,000; (7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 24,000; (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: EIA estimates that there are no capital and start-up costs associated with this data collection. The information is maintained during the normal course of business. The cost of burden hours to the respondents is estimated to be \$1,767,840 (24,000 burden hours times \$73.66). Other than the cost of burden hours, EIA estimates that there are no additional costs for generating, maintaining, and providing this information.

**Statutory authority:** Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Pub. L. 93–275, codified as 15 U.S.C. 772(b) and the DOE Organization Act of 1977, P.L. 95–91, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 27, 2017.

**Tom Leckey,**

*Assistant Administrator, Office of Energy Statistics, U.S. Energy Information Administration.*

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

[Docket EF17–4–000]

**Before Commissioners: Neil Chatterjee, Chairman; Cheryl A. LaFleur, and Robert F. Powelson; Bonneville Power Administration; Order Approving Rates on an Interim Basis and Providing Opportunity for Additional Comments**

1. In this order, we approve on an interim basis Bonneville Power Administration’s (Bonneville) proposed 2018–2019 transmission rates for transmission service on the Southern Intertie (IS Rates),<sup>1</sup> pending our further review.<sup>2</sup> We also provide an additional period of time for parties to file comments.

**I. Background**

2. On July 31, 2017,<sup>3</sup> Bonneville filed a request for interim and final approval of its IS Rates (IS–18) in accordance with section 7 of the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act (Northwest Power Act)<sup>4</sup> and Part 300 of the Commission’s regulations.<sup>5</sup> Bonneville states that, although its rate design is not subject to Commission review, it provides a summary of the hourly rate design change on the Southern Intertie for informational purposes. Bonneville explains that the change is significant, increasing the hourly rates approximately 170 percent, but asserts that the adopted revisions are necessary to address the impact of increased renewable generation in California in combination with seams issues between the transmission system connecting the Pacific Northwest and California.<sup>6</sup>

3. Bonneville projects that the filed rates will produce average annual transmission revenues of \$1.044 billion

<sup>1</sup> The Southern Intertie is a system of transmission lines and substations that transmit power between the Pacific Northwest and California, and is primarily used to export power from the Pacific Northwest and Canada to California. Bonneville Administrator’s Final Record of Decision 5.2.2.

<sup>2</sup> Today, we also approve on an interim basis Bonneville’s other transmission rates filed in Docket No. EF17–3–000. *See Bonneville Power Admin.*, 160 FERC ¶61,112 (2017).

<sup>3</sup> Bonneville submitted errata filings on August 7, 2017, and August 10, 2017 to correct various attachments to the July 31, 2017 Transmittal Letter and to add inadvertently omitted documents to the record.

<sup>4</sup> 16 U.S.C. 839e (2012).

<sup>5</sup> 18 CFR pt. 300 (2017).

<sup>6</sup> Bonneville July 31, 2017 Transmittal Letter at 2. *See also* Bonneville Administrator’s Final Record of Decision § 5.2.2 (explaining the justification for the rate increase in greater detail).

and annual net revenues of \$4.65 million.<sup>7</sup> Bonneville asserts that this level of annual revenues is sufficient to recover its costs for the 2018–2019 rate approval period, while providing cash flow to ensure at least a 95 percent probability of making all payments to the United States Treasury in full and on time for each year of the rate period.<sup>8</sup>

**II. Notice of Filing**

4. Notice of Bonneville’s July 31, 2017 filing was published in the **Federal Register**, 82 FR 37,445 (2017),<sup>9</sup> with protests and interventions due on or before August 30, 2017. Timely motions to intervene were filed by Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative, Powerex Corporation, Sierra Club and Montana Environmental Information Center, Avista Corporation, Northwest Requirements Utilities, Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, NorthWestern Corporation, Western Public Agencies Group, M–S–R Public Power Agency, Snohomish County Public Utility District No. 1, Public Power Council, Puget Sound Energy Inc., Idaho Power Company, and Avangrid Renewables LLC. Renewable Northwest filed a timely motion to intervene and comments. Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Transmission Agency of Northern California, and Turlock Irrigation District (collectively, Northern California Utilities) filed a timely motion to intervene, protest, objection to the motion for interim rate approval, request for an evidentiary hearing, and alternative request for stay of implementation of hourly transmission rates. On September 15, 2017, Bonneville filed a request for leave to answer and an answer to Northern California Utilities’ protest, and on September 19, 2017, Northern California Utilities filed an answer to Bonneville’s answer. On September 22, 2017, Bonneville filed an answer to Northern California Utilities’ September 19 answer.

5. Northern California Utilities generally object to Bonneville’s proposed rate increase for southbound hourly transmission service on the

<sup>7</sup> These values are the totals of all of Bonneville’s transmission revenues, inclusive of the transmission rates at issue in Docket No. EF17–3–000. *See* Bonneville August 7, 2017 Transmittal Letter at 2; *Bonneville Power Admin.*, 160 FERC ¶61,112 (2017) (approving on an interim basis those transmission rates not associated with the Southern Intertie).

<sup>8</sup> Bonneville July 31, 2017 Transmittal Letter at 4, 7.

<sup>9</sup> Notices of Bonneville’s errata filings were published in the **Federal Register**, 82 FR 41,014 (2017) and 82 FR 40,151 (2017). The notices of the errata filings retained the August 30, 2017 date by which protests or interventions were due.