

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. IC21-14-000]

COMMISSION INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITIES  
(FERC-516G);  
COMMENT REQUEST; REVISION AND EXTENSION

(April 6, 2021)

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection FERC-516G, Electric Rates Schedules and Tariff Filings, as it would be revised in this information collection request.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due **[Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register]**.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC21-14-000) by any of the following methods:

Electronic filing through <http://www.ferc.gov>, is preferred.

- Electronic Filing: Documents must be filed in acceptable native applications and print-to-PDF, but not in scanned or picture format.
- For those unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- o Mail via U.S. Postal Service Only: Addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.
- o Hand (including courier) delivery: Deliver to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Instructions:* All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov>. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by e-mail at: [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free).

*Docket:* Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at:

<http://www.ferc.gov>.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* FERC-516G, Electric Rates Schedules and Tariff Filings.

*OMB Control No.:* 1902-0295.

*Type of Request:* Three-year revision and renewal of FERC-516G.

*Abstract:* In accordance with section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA)<sup>1</sup> and 18 CFR 35.28(g)(10), each Independent System Operator (ISO) and Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) must report:

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<sup>1</sup> 16 U.S.C. 824e.

(1) On a monthly basis, total uplift payments for each transmission zone, broken out by day and uplift category;

(2) On a monthly basis, total uplift payments for each resource; and

(3) On a monthly basis, each operator-initiated commitment, the size of the commitment, transmission zone, commitment reason, and commitment start time.

The Commission has determined that these information collection activities provide for transparency that is necessary for just and reasonable rates.

As originally cleared by OMB, FERC-516G also included a one-time requirement that ITOs and RTOs revise their tariffs. Those tariffs have been revised, and FERC is requesting removal of that information collection activity.

*Type of Respondents:* ISOs and RTOs.

*Estimate of Annual Burden<sup>2</sup>:* The estimated burden and cost<sup>3</sup> are as follows:

<b>FERC-516G Annual Burden Estimates in Docket No. IC21-14-000</b>
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<sup>2</sup> Burden is defined 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. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, refer to 5 CFR 1320.3.

<sup>3</sup> The hourly cost estimate is based on data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics for three occupational categories for 2020 involved in the reporting and recordkeeping requirements. These figures include salary

([https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes\\_nat.htm](https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_nat.htm)) and benefits and are:

- Manager (Occupation Code 11-0000): \$97.15/hour
- Electrical Engineer (Occupation Code 17-2071): \$70.19/hour
- File Clerk (Occupation Code 43-4071): \$34.79/hour

The estimate hourly cost for the reporting requirements (\$67.38) is an average of the cost of a manager, an electrical engineer, and a file clerk.

<b>A. Type of Response</b>	<b>B. No. of Respondents</b>	<b>C. Annual No. of Responses per Respondent</b>	<b>D. Total No. of Responses (Column B x Column C)</b>	<b>E. Average Burden Hours &amp; Cost Per Response</b>	<b>F. Total Annual Burden Hours &amp; Cost (Column D x Column E)</b>	<b>G. Cost per Respondent (Column F ÷ Column B)</b>
Preparing and Posting of 3 reports on company website each month	6	12	72	3 hrs.; \$202.14	216 hrs.; \$14,554.08	\$2,425.68

*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Kimberly D. Bose,  
Secretary.