

of enrollment. Please see the application package for details of data collection and reporting requirements for these measures.

6. *Continuation Awards*: In making a continuation award under 34 CFR 75.253, the Secretary considers, among other things: Whether a grantee has made substantial progress in achieving the goals and objectives of the project; whether the grantee has expended funds in a manner that is consistent with its approved application and budget; and, if the Secretary has established performance measurement requirements, whether the grantee has made substantial progress in achieving the performance targets in the grantee's approved application.

In making a continuation award, the Secretary also considers whether the grantee is operating in compliance with the assurances in its approved application, including those applicable to Federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance from the Department (34 CFR 100.4, 104.5, 106.4, 108.8, and 110.23).

## VII. Other Information

*Accessible Format*: On request to the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format. The Department will provide the requestor with an accessible format that may include Rich Text Format (RTF) or text format (txt), a thumb drive, an MP3 file, braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc, or other accessible format.

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**Michelle Asha Cooper**,

*Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Postsecondary Education.*

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Establishment of Local Leadership Council

**AGENCY**: U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

**ACTION**: Notice of establishment of the Local Leadership Council.

**SUMMARY**: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (), the EAC announces the establishment of the Local Leadership Council ("Advisory Committee"). The Advisory Committee will advise the EAC on how best to fulfill the EAC's statutory duties as well as such other matters as the EAC determines. Duration of this advisory board is for two years unless renewed by the EAC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Kristen Muthig, EAC Director of Communications ([kmuthig@eac.gov](mailto:kmuthig@eac.gov)).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Background and Authority

The Local Leadership Council is established under agency authority pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The Advisory Committee is governed by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees. The Advisory Committee shall advise the EAC on how best to fulfill the EAC's statutory duties set forth in 52 U.S.C. 20922 as well as such other matters as the EAC determines. It shall provide a relevant and comprehensive source of expert, unbiased analysis and recommendations to the EAC on local election administration topics to include but are not limited to voter registration and registration database maintenance, voting system user practices, ballot administration (programming, printing, and logistics), processing, accounting, canvassing, chain of custody, certifying results, and auditing.

### II. Structure

The Local Leadership Council shall consist of 100 members. The Election Assistance Commission shall appoint two (2) members from each state after

soliciting nominations from each state's election official professional association. Upon appointment, Advisory Committee members must be serving or have previously served in a leadership role in a state election official professional association.

Elections in the United States are ultimately administered by local election officials operating under election laws and procedures that often differ from state to state. By appointing two members from each state, members of the Advisory Committee will be chosen in a way that ensures geographic diversity, objectivity, and balance as well as encompass the full spectrum of election administration expertise throughout the United States. Local election officials are impacted by all of the EAC's statutory duties set forth in 52 U.S.C. 20922. The Advisory Committee's guidance and recommendations will be key to the ongoing success of the EAC's mission and programs.

Members shall be invited to serve for a term of 2 years and may serve consecutive terms. As necessary, subcommittees may be established by the EAC. The Committee will meet a minimum of once a year for the purposes of advising the EAC.

### III. Compensation

Local Leadership Council members shall not be compensated for their services but will, upon request, be reimbursed for or provided with travel and per diem expenses in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 5701 *et seq.*, while attending Advisory Committee meetings or subcommittee meetings thereof, while away from their homes or regular places of business.

**Authority**: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2.

**Amanda Joiner**,

*Associate Counsel, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC21-24-000]

### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-537); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY**: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

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

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**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-537 (Gas Pipeline Certificates: Construction, Acquisition, and Abandonment).

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due July 20, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit copies of your comments (identified by Docket No. IC21-24-000) by one 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:

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service Only:* Addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- *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 email 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 CONTACT:**

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* FERC-537 (Gas Pipeline Certificates: Construction, Acquisition, and Abandonment).

*OMB Control No.:* 1902-0060.

*Type of Request:* Three-year extension of the FERC-537 information collection requirements with no changes to the reporting requirements.

*Abstract:* The FERC-537 information collection requires natural gas companies to file information with FERC in order for the Commission to determine if the requested certificate should be authorized. Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act<sup>1</sup> requires natural gas companies to obtain Commission approval before constructing, extending, or abandoning facilities or service. The Commission implements section 7 primarily under regulations at 18 CFR part 157, subpart A. In addition, some regulations at 18 CFR part 284 are involved.

When the Commission grants a request to construct or extend pipeline facilities or service, it issues a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

The data generally required to be submitted in a certificate filing consists of identification of the company and responsible officials, factors considered in the location of the facilities and the impact on the area for environmental considerations. Also, to be submitted are the following, as applicable to the specific request:

- Flow diagrams showing the design capacity for engineering design verification and safety determination;
- Cost of proposed facilities, plans for financing, and estimated revenues and expenses related to the proposed facility for accounting and financial evaluation; or
- Existing and proposed storage capacity and pressures and reservoir engineering studies for requests to increase storage capacity.

Applications for an order authorizing abandonment of facilities or service must contain a statement providing in detail the reasons for the requested abandonment and must contain exhibits listed at 18 CFR 157.18, as well as an affidavit showing the consent of existing customers. With some exceptions, such applications also must include an environmental report.

Applicants filing in accordance with 18 CFR part 157, subpart A (either for a certificate or for abandonment) generally must make a good-faith effort to provide notice of the application to all affected landowners, towns, communities, and government agencies.

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 717f.

Certain self-implementing construction and abandonment programs do not require the filing of applications. However, those types of programs do require the filing of annual reports, so many less significant actions can be reported in a single filing/response and less detail would be required. Additionally, requests for an increase of pipeline capacity must include a statement that demonstrates compliance with the Commission's Certificate Policy Statement by making a showing that the cost of the expansion will not be subsidized by existing customers and that there will not be adverse economic impacts to existing customers, competing pipelines or their customers, nor to landowners and to surrounding communities.

The Commission reviews and analyses the information filed under the regulations subject to FERC-537 to determine whether to approve or deny the requested authorization. If the Commission failed to collect these data, it would lose its ability to review relevant information to determine whether the requested certificate should be authorized.

*Type of Respondents:* Jurisdictional natural gas companies.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*<sup>2</sup> The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collection as:

<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. Refer to 5 CFR 1320.3 for additional information.

<sup>3</sup> Changes to estimated number of respondents were based on average number of respondents over the past three years.

<sup>4</sup> The estimates for cost per response are derived using the following formula: Average Burden Hours per Response \* \$83.00/hour = Average cost/response. The figure is the 2021 FERC average hourly cost (for wages and benefits) of \$83.00 (and an average annual salary of \$172,329/year). Commission staff is using the FERC average salary because we consider any reporting requirements completed in response to the FERC-537 to be compensated at rates similar to the work of FERC employees.

<sup>5</sup> Each of the figures in this column are rounded to the nearest dollar.

<sup>6</sup> A Certificate Abandonment Application would require waiver of the Commission's capacity release regulations in 18 CFR 284.8; therefore this activity is associated with Interstate Certificate and Abandonment Applications.

FERC-537 (GAS PIPELINE CERTIFICATES: CONSTRUCTION, ACQUISITION, AND ABANDONMENT)<sup>3</sup>

	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response <sup>4</sup>	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1) <sup>5</sup>
18 CFR 157.5-.11 (Interstate Certificate and Abandonment Applications).	31	1.39	43	500 hrs.; \$41,500	21,500 hrs.; \$1,784,500 ..	\$57,565
18 CFR 157.53 (Pipeline Purging/Testing Exemptions).	1	1	1	50 hrs.; \$4,150 .....	50 hrs.; \$4,150 .....	4,150
18 CFR 157.201-.209; 157.211; 157.214-.218 (Blanket Certificates Prior to Notice Filings).	24	2.125	51	200 hrs.; \$16,600	10,200 hrs.; \$846,600 ....	35,275
18 CFR 157.201-.209; 157.211; 157.214-.218 (Blanket Certificates—Annual Reports).	162	1	162	50 hrs.; \$4,150 .....	8,100 hrs.; \$672,300 .....	4,150
18 CFR 284.11 (NGPA Section 311 Construction—Annual Reports).	75	1	75	50 hrs.; \$4,150 .....	3,750 hrs.; \$311,250 .....	4,150
18 CFR 284.8 <sup>6</sup> (Request for Waiver of Capacity Release Regulations).	31	1.39	43	10 hrs.; \$830 .....	430 hrs.; \$35,690 .....	830.00
18 CFR 284.13(e) and 284.126(a) (Interstate and Intrastate Bypass Notice).	2	1	2	30 hrs.; \$2,490 .....	60 hrs.; \$4,980 .....	2,490
18 CFR 284.221 (Blanket Certificates) .....	1	1	1	100 hrs.; \$8,300 ...	100 hrs.; \$8,300 .....	8,300
18 CFR 284.224 (Hinshaw Blanket Certificates).	1	1	1	75 hrs.; \$6,225 .....	75 hrs.; \$6,225 .....	6,225
18 CFR 157.5-.11; 157.13-.20 (Non-facility Certificate or Abandonment Applications).	11	1.36	15	75 hrs.; \$6,225 .....	1,125 hrs.; \$93,375 .....	8,489
Total .....			394		45,390 hrs.; \$3,767,370	

*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.

Dated: May 14, 2021.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL21-72-000]

#### LS Power Development, LLC, Doswell Limited Partnership v. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.; Notice of Complaint

Take notice that on May 7, 2021, pursuant to sections 206, and 306 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824e, 825e and Rule 206 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR

385.206, LS Power Development, LLC and Doswell Limited Partnership (Complainants) filed a formal complaint against PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., (Respondent or PJM) alleging that the Respondent violated the Reliability Assurance Agreement among Load Serving Entities in the PJM Region, all as more fully explained in the complaint.

The Complainant certifies that copies of the complaint were served on the contacts listed for Respondent in the Commission's list of Corporate Officials, and on the Independent Market Monitor for PJM.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. The Respondent's answer and all interventions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. The Respondent's answer, motions to intervene, and protests must be served on the Complainants.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street

NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<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. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 27, 2021.

Dated: May 14, 2021.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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