

Energy Sub 2nd Rev GIA (J855) to be effective 3/20/2023.

*Filed Date:* 5/10/23.

*Accession Number:* 20230510–5114.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 5/31/23.

*Docket Numbers:* ER23–1852–000.

*Applicants:* Buchanan Generation, LLC.

*Description:* Request for Limited Waiver and Request for Shortened Comment Period and Expedited Action of Buchanan Generation, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 5/8/23.

*Accession Number:* 20230508–5182.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 5/15/23.

*Docket Numbers:* ER23–1859–000.

*Applicants:* Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Amendment to Service Agreement FERC No. 864 to be effective 4/10/2023.

*Filed Date:* 5/10/23.

*Accession Number:* 20230510–5067.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 5/31/23.

*Docket Numbers:* ER23–1860–000.

*Applicants:* Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Mississippi Power Company.

*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Alabama Power Company submits tariff filing per 35.15: CPV Five Bridges Solar LGIA Termination Filing to be effective 5/10/2023.

*Filed Date:* 5/10/23.

*Accession Number:* 20230510–5081.

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Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

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Dated: May 10, 2023.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ID–9771–000]

#### Thomas Jr., Jesse R.; Notice of Filing

Take notice that on May 10, 2023, Jesse R. Thomas Jr. submitted for filing, application for authority to hold interlocking positions, pursuant to section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 825d (b) and part 45.8 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR part 45.8.

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. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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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.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 31, 2023.

Dated: May 10, 2023.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RD22–5–000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–725D(1)); Comment Request

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

**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 a new information collection, FERC–725D(1), Mandatory Reliability Standards FAC–001–4 and FAC–002–4. This notice will be part of an information collection request that will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a review of the information collection requirements.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due June 15, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments on FERC–725D(1) to OMB through [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain), Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Please identify the OMB control number (1902–NEW) in the subject line. Your comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Please submit copies of your comments (identified by Docket No. RD22–5–000) to the Commission as noted below. Electronic filing through <https://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:**

OMB submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain); Using the search function under the “Currently Under Review field,” select Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; click “submit” and select “comment” to the right of the subject collection.

FERC submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <https://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 <https://www.ferc.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* FERC-725D(1), RD22-5-000, Mandatory Reliability Standards FAC-001-4 and FAC-002-4.

*OMB Control No.:* 1902-NEW.

*Respondents:* Transmission owners and generator owners for Reliability Standard FAC-001-4. Planning

coordinators for Reliability Standard FAC-002-4.<sup>1</sup>

*Frequency of Information Collection:* Once during years 1 and 2. On occasion during year 3 and beyond.

*Abstract:* The Facilities Design, Connections, and Maintenance Reliability Standards address topics such as facility interconnection requirements, facility ratings, system operating limits, and transfer capabilities. These Reliability Standards are designated with the prefix “FAC.”

On November 23, 2002 the Commission published an order approving new Reliability Standards FAC-001-4 and FAC-002-4 (87 FR 71602). The Commission approved those new standards to help ensure appropriate coordination and communication regarding the interconnection of facilities.

At present, the collections of information associated with all “FAC” Reliability Standards are authorized under FERC-725D (OMB Control Number 1902-0247). Ordinarily, the Commission would ask OMB to approve the collections of information associated with the new Reliability Standards as revisions of FERC-725D. However, another information collection request pertaining to FERC-725D is pending at OMB,<sup>2</sup> and only one request per information collection is allowed to be pending at OMB at the same time. FERC-725D(1) is a temporary placeholder number to avoid conflicting with the pending request already submitted to OMB regarding FERC-725D.

Previous Reliability Standard FAC-001-003 required transmission owners and generator owners to complete coordinated studies on new or “materially modified” existing

interconnections. As approved in the November 23, 2022 order, FAC-001-4 requires coordinated studies of “qualified changes” in interconnections instead of “materially modified” interconnections. This revision is intended to prevent confusion with the Commission-defined term “Material Modification” in *pro forma* interconnection procedures and agreements.<sup>3</sup> The term “qualified changes” refers to changes in existing interconnected facilities that can have reliability impacts and helps ensure that they are properly addressed in interconnection requirements and studies.

In the November 23 order, the Commission also revised Requirement R6 of existing Reliability Standard FAC-002-3 by authorizing the planning coordinator to define the term “qualified change” and requiring public posting of the definition.

*Necessity of Information:* Mandatory.

*Internal Review:* The Commission has reviewed the collections of information associated with the rulemaking in Docket No. RD22-5-000, and has determined that the described information collection activities are necessary. These requirements conform to the Commission’s need for efficient information collection, communication, and management within the energy industry.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:* The responsibilities of applicable entities for FAC-001-4 (*i.e.*, transmission owners and generator owners) are the same as those approved for Reliability Standard FAC-001-3 in FERC-725D. Table 1, below, accordingly shows the same burdens as approved in FERC-725D, with updated costs.

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED BURDENS FOR FAC-001-4

Types of responses	Types and numbers of respondents	Number of annual responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average number of burden hours and cost per response <sup>4</sup>	Total burden hours and cost
A	B	C	D (Column B × Column C)	E	F (Column D × Column E)
Documentation & Updates .....	498 GOs/TOs .....	1	498 .....	34 hrs.; \$3,094 .....	16,932 hrs. \$1,491,672.
Evidence Retention .....	498 GOs/TOs .....	1	498 .....	1 hr.; \$91.00 .....	498 hrs.; \$45,318.

<sup>1</sup> The NERC Glossary, at [https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Glossary%20of%20Terms/Glossary\\_of\\_Terms.pdf](https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Glossary%20of%20Terms/Glossary_of_Terms.pdf), defines these terms. A transmission owner (TO) is the entity that owns and maintains transmission facilities. A generator owner (GO) is the entity that owns and maintains generating units. A planning coordinator, formerly known as a planning authority (PA/PC), is the responsible entity that coordinates and integrates transmission facilities, service plans, resource plans, and protection systems.

<sup>2</sup> That pending request would not affect FAC-001-3 or FAC-002-3, the predecessors to the Reliability Standards approved by the Commission in its November 23, 2022 order.

<sup>3</sup> The regulation at 18 CFR 35.28(c)(1) requires every public utility that owns, controls, or operates facilities used for the transmission of electric energy in interstate commerce to have on file with the Commission an open access transmission tariff consisting of the *pro forma* tariff promulgated by the Commission, or such other tariff as may be approved by the Commission. The regulation at 18

CFR 35.28(f)(1) requires every public utility that is required to have on file a non-discriminatory open access transmission tariff to amend such tariff by adding the standard interconnection procedures and agreement and the standard small generator interconnection procedures and agreement required by the Commission.

<sup>4</sup> The Commission staff estimates that the industry’s hourly cost for wages plus benefits is similar to the Commission’s \$91.00 FY 2022 average hourly cost for wages and benefits.

Under, FAC-002-4, the new collection FERC-725D(1) represents a minor additional burden to planning coordinators, due to the requirement that they develop the definition of “qualified change” for new and existing interconnections of generation,

transmission or electricity end user facilities. This burden is expected to be greater in years one and two than in year three and beyond for FAC-002-4. The burden and cost estimates for FAC-002-4 are based on the increase in the reporting and recordkeeping burden

imposed by the revised Reliability Standards. Our estimates are based on the NERC Compliance Registry as of September 16, 2022, which indicates 63 planning coordinators.

TABLE 2—ESTIMATED BURDENS FOR FAC-002-4

Type and numbers of respondents	Number of annual responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average number of burden hours and cost per response	Total burden hours and cost
A	B	C (Column A × Column B)	D	E (Column C × Column D)
63 PA/PCs Years 1 and 2 .....	1	63 .....	120 hrs.; \$7,200 .....	7,560 hrs.; \$453,600.
63 PA/PCs Ongoing, beginning in Year 3 .....	1	63 .....	40 hrs.; \$2,520 .....	2,520 hrs.; \$158,760.

*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 9, 2023.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 15298-000]

**LinkPast Solutions, Inc.; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

On January 25, 2023, LinkPast Solutions, Inc., filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower on the Black River in Jefferson County, New York. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing

activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners’ express permission.

The proposed Great Mills Hydro Project (Plant #1) would consist of the following: (1) a new 330-foot-long concrete gravity dam at the site of an existing breached dam; (2) an impoundment with an approximate surface area of 220 acres and a storage capacity of 1,100 acre-feet at a normal pool elevation of 609.05 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929; (4) a new 85-foot-long by 65-foot-wide reinforced concrete powerhouse housing two or more axial flow vertical turbine-generator units with a total installed capacity of 5 megawatts; (5) additional new DIVE-turbine-generator (generator directly connected to the turbine shaft that can be completely submerged) units to utilize flows below the minimum or above the maximum hydraulic capacities of the main powerhouse; (6) a new 50-foot-long by 50-foot-wide switchyard; (7) two new access roads, one on the north and the other on the south shores of the river; (8) a new 2.23-mile-long, 115-kilovolt transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 24,500 megawatt-hours.

*Applicant Contact:* Brian McArthur, LinkPast Solutions, Inc., P.O. Box 5474, Clark, New Jersey 07066; phone: (848) 628-4414.

*FERC Contact:* Monir Chowdhury; phone: (202) 502-6736.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments,

motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission’s eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOOnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the “eLibrary” link of the Commission’s website at <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>. Enter the docket number (P-15298) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: May 9, 2023.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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