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Any comments should be filed with the Commission by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Wednesday, April 8, 2026.

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please contact FERC Online Support. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P–2997–031.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502–6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC26–4–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–551) Comment Request; Extension

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 a renewal of currently approved information collection FERC–551: Reporting of Flow Volume and Capacity by Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines which will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. There are no proposed changes to the record retention requirements.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due April 13, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC–551 to OMB through https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/icrPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202601-1902-006. You can also visit <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> and use the drop-down under “Currently under Review” to select the “Federal Energy Regulatory Commission” where you can see the open opportunities to provide comments. Comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Please submit a copy of your comments to the Commission via email to DataClearance@FERC.gov. You must specify the Docket No. (IC26–4–000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC–551) in your email. If you are unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

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

- *All other delivery methods:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Docket: To view information related to this docket, please visit <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kayla Williams, (202) 502–6468. DataClearance@FERC.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC–551, Reporting of Flow Volume and Capacity by Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines.

OMB Control No.: 1902–0243.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC–551 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Commission is authorized to facilitate price transparency in markets for the sale or

transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce, regarding the public interest, the integrity of those markets, fair competition, and the protection of consumers. FERC–551 uses the information provided by pipelines as part of its overall implementation of the statutory provisions of section 23 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), 16 U.S.C. 717t–2. More specifically, the Commission relies, in part, on section 23(a)(1) of the NGA, for authority to collect this information and uses the pipelines' FERC–551 postings as part of fulfilling the transparency provisions of section 23(a)(1) of the NGA. The data requirements for pipelines are listed the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR 284.13, reporting requirements for interstate pipelines. The Commission has directed that the data requirements under FERC–551 are to be posted on interstate pipelines' websites and provided in downloadable file formats, in conformity with 18 CFR 284.12.

The posting requirements are based on the Commission's authority under section 23 of the NGA (as added by the Energy Policy Act of 2005), which provides, in relevant part, that the Commission may issue such rules as necessary and appropriate to provide for the dissemination of “information about the availability and prices of natural gas at wholesale and in interstate commerce.”¹ This provision enhances the Commission's authority to ensure confidence in the Nation's natural gas markets. The Commission's market-oriented policies for the wholesale natural gas industry require that interested persons have broad confidence that reported market prices accurately reflect the interplay of legitimate market forces. Without confidence in the efficiency of price formation, the true value of transactions is very difficult to determine. Further, price transparency facilitates ensuring that jurisdictional prices are “just and reasonable.”²

The posting of FERC–551 information occurs on a daily basis. The data must be available for download for not less than 90 days from the date of posting and must be retained by the pipeline for three years.

Type of Respondents: Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*³ The Commission estimates the total public

¹ Section 23(a)(2) of the NGA, 15 U.S.C. 717t–2(a)(2) (2000 & Supp. V 2005).

² See sections 4 and 5 of the NGA, 15 U.S.C. 717c and 717d.

³ Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to

reporting burden and cost for this information collection as follows:

Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response ⁴	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost	Burden hours & cost per respondent(\$)
(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)
178	365	64,970	0.5 hours; \$34.50	32,485 hrs.; 2,241,465 ...	182.5 hrs.; \$12,593.

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.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP26-45-000]

Egan Hub Storage, LLC; Notice of Schedule for the Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Egan Cavern Expansion Project

On December 18, 2025, Egan Hub Storage, LLC filed an application in Docket No. CP26-45-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas facilities. The proposed project is known as the Egan Cavern Expansion Project (Project) and

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.

⁴ The hourly figure (wages plus benefits) is based on the average of the occupational categories for 2025 found on the Bureau of Labor Statistics website (http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm and <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/ecec.nr0.htm>):

—Management (Occupation Code: 11-0000): \$83.41

would expand operations at the existing Egan Hub natural gas storage facility in Acadia Parish, Louisiana through construction of two new salt dome storage caverns each with a working gas capacity of 8.0 billion cubic feet (Bcf) and a base gas capacity of 4.3 Bcf.

On January 7, 2026, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's environmental document for the Project.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) for the Project and the planned schedule for the completion of the environmental review.¹ The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA May 22, 2026
90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline² August 20, 2026

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

Project Description

Egan Hub proposes to expand operations at its existing natural gas storage facility in Acadia Parish, Louisiana. Specifically, at its existing facility, Egan Hub would construct and operate two new salt dome storage caverns each with a working gas

—Business (Occupation Code: 13-0000): \$55.13

—Financial (Occupation Code: 13-2051): \$68.56

These various occupational categories' wage (and benefits) figures are averaged and weighted equally, giving an average of \$69.03/hour. The resulting wage figure is rounded to \$69/hour for use in calculating wage figures in the FERC-551 renewal.

¹ For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this

capacity of 8.0 Bcf and a base gas capacity of 4.3 Bcf; a new leaching and dewatering facility; new on-site compression facilities; and one new freshwater supply well. A new 0.75-mile-long 18-inch-diameter freshwater pipeline would also be installed to connect the freshwater well to the leaching and dewatering facility; a 0.25-mile-long, 16-inch-diameter freshwater pipeline and a 0.25-mile-long, 16-inch-diameter brine pipeline would be constructed to connect the new caverns to the new leaching and dewatering system; and two new 0.25-mile-long 16-inch-diameter gas pipelines would be constructed to tie-in the new caverns to the existing facility.

The project also includes construction of a new saltwater disposal well at a separate site located 1.5 miles southwest of the Egan Facility which would be tied into an existing brine disposal pipeline via installation of 485 feet total of 16-, 12-, and 8-inch-diameter pipeline.

Background

On January 22, 2026, the Commission issued a *Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed Egan Cavern Expansion Project* (Notice of Scoping). The Notice of Scoping was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the Notice of Scoping, the Commission received comments from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas, and one landowner. The primary issues raised by the commenters are

environmental review is EAXX-019-20-000-1772013003.

² The Commission's deadline applies to the decisions of other federal agencies, and state agencies acting under federally delegated authority, that are responsible for federal authorizations, permits, and other approvals necessary for proposed projects under the Natural Gas Act. Per 18 CFR 157.22(a), the Commission's deadline for other agency's decisions applies unless a schedule is otherwise established by federal law.