

(www.ferc.gov), on the natural gas environmental documents page (<https://www.ferc.gov/industries-data/natural-gas/environment/environmental-documents>). In addition, the EA may be accessed by using the eLibrary link on the FERC's website. Click on the eLibrary link (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>), select "General Search" and enter the docket number in the "Docket Number" field, excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP26-45). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

The EA is not a decision document. It presents Commission staff's independent analysis of the environmental issues for the Commission to consider when addressing the merits of all issues in this proceeding. Under section 7(c) of the NGA, the Commission determines whether interstate natural gas transportation facilities are in the public convenience and necessity and, if so, grants a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate them. The Commission bases its decisions on both economic issues, including need, and environmental effects.

Your comments should focus on the EA's disclosure and discussion of potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental effects. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has staff available to assist you at (866) 208-3676 or FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. Please carefully follow these instructions so that your comments are properly recorded.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to FERC Online. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to FERC Online. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You must select the type of

filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing"; or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the Commission. Be sure to reference the project docket number (CP26-45-000) on your letter. 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.

Filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered. Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing or judicial review of the Commission's decision. At this point in this proceeding, the timeframe for filing timely intervention requests has expired. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene out-of-time pursuant to Rule 214(b)(3) and (d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214(b)(3) and (d)) and show good cause why the time limitation should be waived. Motions to intervene are more fully described at <https://www.ferc.gov/how-intervene>.

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. Additional information about the project is available from the FERC website (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2587-066]

Northern States Power Company; Notice of Reasonable Period of Time for Water Quality Certification Application

On May 21, 2026, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (Michigan EGLE) submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) notice that it received a request for a Clean Water Act section 401(a)(1) water quality certification as defined in 40 CFR 121.5, from Northern States Power Company, in conjunction with the above captioned project on May 19, 2026. Pursuant to section 4.34(b)(5) of the Commission's regulations,¹ we hereby notify Michigan EGLE of the following dates.

Date of Receipt of the Certification Request: May 19, 2026.

Reasonable Period of Time to Act on the Certification Request: One year, May 19, 2027.

If Michigan EGLE fails or refuses to act on the water quality certification request on or before the above date, then the certifying authority is deemed waived pursuant to section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1341(a)(1).

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC26-19-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-725N) 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

¹ 18 CFR 4.34(b)(5).

public comment on the currently approved information collection FERC-725N (Mandatory Reliability Standards TPL-007-4, Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events). The 60-day comment period ended on May 4, 2026, no comments were received.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due June 29, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC-725N to OMB through https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/icrPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202604-1902-007. 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 Docket No. (IC26-19-000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC-725N) 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 comments and issuances in this docket, please visit <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>. Once there, you can also sign up for automatic notification of activity in this docket.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact: Kayla Williams at DataClearance@FERC.gov, telephone at (202) 502-6468.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC-725N, Mandatory Reliability Standards TPL-007-4, Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events.

OMB Control No.: 1902-0264.

Type of Request: Extension of the currently approved collection without change.

Abstract: The Reliability Standard TPL-001-5.1 requires planning coordinators and transmission planners to establish Transmission system planning performance requirements within the planning horizon to develop a Bulk Electric System (BES) that will operate reliably over a broad spectrum of System conditions and following a wide range of probable Contingencies.

Reliability Standard TPL-007-4 requires owners and operators of the Bulk-Power System to conduct initial and on-going vulnerability assessments of the potential impact of defined geomagnetic disturbance events on Bulk-Power System equipment and the Bulk-Power System as a whole. Specifically, the Reliability Standard requires entities to develop corrective action plans for vulnerabilities identified through supplemental geomagnetic disturbance vulnerability assessments and requires entities to seek approval from the Electric Reliability Organization of any extensions of time for the completion of corrective action plan items.

The Reliability Standard TPL-008-1 requires planning coordinators and transmission planners to establish Transmission system planning performance requirements to develop a Bulk Power System (BPS) that will

operate reliably during extreme heat and extreme cold temperature events.

On August 8, 2005, Congress enacted into law the Electricity Modernization Act of 2005, which is Title XII, Subtitle A, of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAAct 2005).¹ EPAAct 2005 added a new section 215 to the Federal Power Act (FPA), which required a

Commission-certified Electric Reliability Organization (ERO) to develop mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards, which are subject to Commission review and approval. Once approved, the Reliability Standards may be enforced by the ERO subject to Commission oversight, or the Commission can independently enforce Reliability Standards.²

On February 3, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 672, implementing section 215 of the FPA.³ Pursuant to Order No. 672, the Commission certified one organization, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), as the ERO.⁴ The Reliability Standards developed by the ERO and approved by the Commission apply to users, owners and operators of the Bulk-Power System as set forth in each Reliability Standard.

Type of Respondents: Generator Owner, Planning Coordinator, Transmission Planners and Transmission Owners. *Estimate of Annual Burden:*⁵ Our estimates are based on the NERC Compliance Registry Summary of Entities as of February 9, 2026.

The individual burden estimates include the time needed to gather data, run studies, and analyze study results. These are consistent with estimates for similar tasks in other Commission-approved standards. Estimates for the additional average annual burden and cost⁶ as follows:

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Reliability standard or process	Type and number of entities ⁷	Annual number of responses per entity	Total number of responses	Average burden (hrs. & cost) (\$ per response)	Total annual burden hours & cost (\$ (rounded)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)
Annual review and record retention	60 (PC)	1	60	148 hrs.; \$9,400.96	8,880 hrs.; \$564,057.

¹ Energy Policy Act of 2005, Public Law 109-58, Title XII, Subtitle A, 119 Stat. 594, 941 (codified at 16 U.S.C. 824o).

² 16 U.S.C. 824o(e)(3).

³ Rules Concerning Certification of the Electric Reliability Organization; and Procedures for the Establishment, Approval, and Enforcement of Electric Reliability Standards, Order No. 672, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,204, order on reh'g, Order No. 672-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,212 (2006).

⁴ North American Electric Reliability Corp., 116 FERC ¶ 61,062, order on reh'g and compliance, 117

FERC ¶ 61,126 (2006), order on compliance, 118 FERC ¶ 61,190, order on reh'g, 119 FERC ¶ 61,046 (2007), aff'd sub nom. Alcoa Inc. v. FERC, 564 F.3d 1342 (D.C. Cir. 2009).

⁵ 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. See 5 CFR 1320 for additional information on the definition of information collection burden.

⁶ The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) is a combination of the following categories from

the BLS website, http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm: 75% of the average of an Electrical Engineer (17-2071) \$71.19/hr., × .75 = 53.3925 (\$53.39-rounded) (\$53.39/hour); and 25% of an Information and Record Clerk (43-4199) \$40.51/hr., \$40.51 × .25 = 10.1275 (\$10.13 rounded) (\$10.13/hour), for a total (\$53.39 + \$10.13 = \$63.52/hour).

⁷ The “Number of Entity” data is compiled from the February 9, 2026, edition of the NERC Compliance Registry. “TP” means transmission planner; “PC” means planning coordinator.”

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Reliability standard or process	Type and number of entities ⁷	Annual number of responses per entity	Total number of responses	Average burden (hrs. & cost) (\$) per response	Total annual burden hours & cost (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)
	210 (TP)	1	210	48 hrs.; \$3,048.96 ...	10,080 hrs.; \$640,282.
Total for TPL-001-5.1 .....	.....	.....	270	.....	18,960 hrs.; \$1,204,339.

ANNUAL COLLECTION TPL-007-4 FERC-725N

Reliability standard or process	Type and number of entities ⁸	Annual number of responses per entity	Total number of responses	Average burden (hrs. & cost) (\$) per response	Total annual burden hours & cost (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)
Annual review and record retention	1,354 (GO)	1	1,354	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80 ...	54,160 hrs.; \$3,440,243.
60 (PC)	1	60	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80	2,400 hrs.; \$152,448..	
210 (TP)	1	210	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80	8,400 hrs.; \$533,568..	
341 (TO)	1	341	40 hrs.; \$2,540.80	13,640 hrs.; \$866,413..	
Total for TPL-007-4 .....	.....	.....	1,965	.....	78,600 hours; \$4,992,672.

ANNUAL COLLECTION TPL-008-1 FERC-725N

Reliability standard or process	Type and number of entities ⁹	Annual number of responses per entity	Total number of responses	Average burden (hrs. & cost) (\$) per response	Total annual burden hours & cost (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)
Annual review and record retention	60 (PC)	1	60	88 hrs.; \$5,589.76 ...	5,280 hrs.; \$335,386.
210 (TP)	1	210	56 hrs.; \$3,557.12	11,760 hrs.; \$764,995..	
Total for TPL-008-1 .....	.....	.....	270	.....	17,040 hrs.; \$1,082,381.

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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15257-002]

Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund X, LLC; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document (Pad), Commencement of LLP Pre-Filing Process and Scoping, Request for Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for an Original License and Commencing Pre-filing Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 15257-002.

c. *Dated Filed:* March 27, 2026.

⁸The "Number of Entity" data is compiled from the February 9, 2026, edition of the NERC Compliance Registry. "TP" means transmission planner; "GO" means generator owner; "PC" means planning coordinator; "TO" means transmission owner."

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