

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. IC26-38-000]

COMMISSION INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITIES (FERC-912);
COMMENT REQUEST; EXTENSION

(July 1, 2026)

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of information collections 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-912 (OMB Control No. 1902-0237), PURPA Section 210(m) Notification Requirements Applicable to Cogeneration and Small Power Production Facilities.

DATES: Comments on collections of information are due **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: You may submit your comments (identified by Docket No. IC26-38-000) by one of the following methods:

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:

- 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, Office of the Secretary, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <https://www.ferc.gov>. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by e-mail at 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: Kayla Williams may be reached by e-mail at DataClearance@FERC.gov and telephone at (202) 502-6468.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC-912, PURPA Section 210(m) Notification Requirements Applicable to Cogeneration and Small Power Production Facilities

OMB Control No.: 1902-0237

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC-912 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: On August 8, 2005, the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAcT 2005)¹ was signed into law. Section 1253(a) of EPAcT 2005 amends Section 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) by adding subsection “(m),” which provides, based on a specified showing, for the termination and subsequent reinstatement of an electric utility’s obligation to purchase from, and sell energy and capacity to, qualifying facilities (QFs). In 2019, the Commission revised its regulations in 18 CFR 292.309 – 292.313 in Docket No. RM19-15-000 to account for industry changes. These industry changes include: the decrease in reliance on oil and natural gas, the increase of natural gas supply due to access of shale reserves, and the decreasing costs of renewable energy sources. Due to the modifications in the rulemaking, the Commission revised its information collection requirements. The Commission now collects the following information on FERC Form 912:

- §292.310: an electric utility’s application for the termination of its obligation to purchase energy from a QF,
- §292.311: an affected entity or person’s application to the Commission for an order reinstating the electric utility’s obligation to purchase energy from a QF,
- §292.312: an electric utility’s application for the termination of its obligation to sell energy and capacity to QFs, and
- §292.313: an affected entity or person’s application to the Commission for an order reinstating the electric utility’s obligation to sell energy and capacity to QFs.²

Type of Respondents: Electric utilities.

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

Burden and cost for this information collection as follows:

¹ Public Law 109-58, 119 Stat. 594 (2005).

² 18 CFR 292.311 and 292.313.

FERC-912 (IC22-9-000): Cogeneration and Small Power Production, PURPA Section 210(m) Regulations for Termination or Reinstatement of Obligation to Purchase or Sell						
	Number of Respondents (1)	Number of Responses Per Respondent (2)	Total Number of Responses (1) x (2) = (3)	Average Burden Hours & Average Cost per Response (\$)⁴ (4)	Total Annual Burden Hours & Total Annual Cost (\$) (3) x (4) = (5)	Cost per Respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1) = (6)
Termination of obligation to purchase	4	1.5	6	12 \$1,224	72 \$7,344	\$1,836
Reinstatement of obligations to purchase	0	0	0	0 \$0	0 \$0	\$0
Termination of obligation to sell	2	1	2	8 \$816	16 \$1,632	\$816
Reinstatement of obligation to sell	0	0	0	0 \$0	0 \$0	\$0
Total					88 hours \$8,976	\$2,652

³ Burden 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.

⁴ The estimates for cost per response are derived using the following formula:
Average Burden Hours per Response * \$102.00 per Hour = Average Cost per Response.
The hourly cost figure comes from the FERC average salary (\$213,003/year).
Commission staff believes the 2026 FERC average salary to be a representative wage for industry respondents.

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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Secretary.