

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. IC26-38-000]

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

(September 10, 2026)

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 the currently approved information collection FERC-912 (1902-0237), PURPA Section 210(m) Notification Requirements Applicable to Cogeneration and Small Power Production Facilities. The comment period ended on September 8, 2026, with no comments received. There are no changes to the reporting requirements.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due [**INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC-912 to OMB through https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/icrPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202608-1902-009. 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. (IC26-38-000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC-912) 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, N.E., 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: Kayla Williams at

DataClearance@FERC.gov, 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 amended 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			8		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.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.