

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments (FERC Form No. 423)**

August 6, 1996.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before October 11, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be

obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael P. Miller, Information Services Division, ED-12.4, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael P. Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collected under the requirements of FERC Form No. 423 "Monthly Report of Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants" (OMB No. 1902-0024) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Section 205 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824d as amended by Section 208 of the Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA). Under Section 205, the Commission is required to conduct a review every two years of utility fuel procurement practices under automatic adjustment clauses to assure

economic purchase of fuels. Most jurisdictional utilities include in their wholesale rate structures automatic fuel adjustment clauses or other automatic clauses under which changes in fuel costs are permitted to be passed on to customers as they occur, without the regulatory review that would occur with the filing of new rates. Section 205 of the FPA also includes the requirement that such rates be just and reasonable. To determine just and reasonable rates for electric service it is necessary to investigate and analyze the various costs, including fuel costs, incurred in providing the service. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Part 141.61.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total annual burden hours
(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)×(2)×(3)
735	12	2	17,640

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 17,640 hours/2,087 hours per year × \$102,000 per year=\$862,137.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather

than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed 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 of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[FERC-585]**Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments**

August 7, 1996.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before October 11, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael P. Miller, Information Services Division, ED-12.4, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael P. Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at

(202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Abstract: The information collected under the requirements of FERC-585 "Reporting of Electric Energy Shortages and Contingency Plans under PURPA 206" (OMB No. 1902-0138) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Sections 206 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1979 (PURPA) Pub. L. 95-617, 92 Stat. 3117 added to the Federal Power Act (FPA) Section 202, subsection (g). FPA Section 202(g) requires the

Commission to establish rules requiring each public utility to report to FERC and appropriate State regulatory authorities any anticipated shortage of electric energy or capacity which would affect the utility's ability to serve its wholesale customers; and submit to the Commission and the appropriate State regulatory authority, and periodically revise contingency plans respecting shortages of electric energy or capacity which would equitably accommodate service to both direct retail customers and those served by utilities supplied at wholesale by the public utility.

The Commission uses the information to evaluate and formulate appropriate options for action in the event an anticipated shortage is reported and/or materializes. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Part 294

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total annual burden hours
(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)×(2)×(3)
6	1	76	456

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 456 hours/2,087 hours per year × \$102.00 per year = \$22,287.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed 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 of the proposed collection of information,

including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 6, 1996.

Take notice that on August 1, 1996, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1 and Original Volume No. 2 the following tariff sheets:

Second Revised Volume No. 1
Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 17
Original Sheet No. 212
Original Sheet No. 213
Original Volume No. 2
Seventh Revised Sheet No. 14

ANR states that the referenced tariff sheets are being submitted pursuant to ANR's approved Order No. 528 cost recovery settlement to implement partial recovery of approximately \$0.65 million of additional buyout/buydown costs, in part by a fixed monthly charge applicable to ANR's customers, and in

part by a volumetric buyout/buydown surcharge of \$0.0002 per dth applicable to all throughout.

ANR states that this filing is being made pursuant to Article II of the Stipulation and Agreement filed by ANR on February 12, 1991 in Docket Nos. RP91-33-000 and RP91-35-0000, as approved by the Commission on March 1, 1991. ANR has requested that the Commission accept the tendered tariff sheets to become effective September 1, '996. ANR states that it intends to commence billing of the proposed fixed monthly charges and volumetric surcharge in October, 1996 for September, 1996 business.

ANR states that all of its Volume Nos. 1 and 2 customers and interested State Commissions have been apprised of this filing.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in § 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are