

statutory provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act (ICA), (49 U.S.C.). The ICA authorizes the Commission to make investigations and to collect and record data and to prescribe rules and regulations concerning accounts, records and memoranda as necessary or appropriate for purposes of administering the ICA. The Commission may prescribe a system of accounts for jurisdictional companies and, after notice and opportunity for hearing may determine the accounts in which particular outlays and receipts will be entered, charged or credited. Every pipeline carrier subject to the provisions of Section 20 of the ICA must electronically file with the Commission through Commission-provided software.

The Commission's Office of Enforcement uses the collected FERC Form 6 data to assist in the implementation of its financial audits and investigation programs, in the continuous review of the financial condition of regulated companies and in the assessment of energy markets. The Office of Energy Markets and Reliability (OEMR) uses the data collected for its various rate proceedings and economic analyses. The Office of Administrative Litigation (OAL) uses the data collected for background research for use in litigation. The Office of General Counsel uses the data in its programs relating to the administration of the ICA. Additionally, the Office of the Executive Director (OED) uses the data contained on certain schedules of the FERC Form 6 to compute annual charges which are then assessed against oil pipeline companies to recover the Commission's annual costs. These annual charges are required by Section 3401 of the Budget Act.

Most notably, the ICA mandates the collection of information needed by the Commission to perform its regulatory responsibilities in the setting of the just and reasonable rates. The Commission could be held in violation of the ICA if the information was not collected.

The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Section 357.1 and 357.2.

5. *Respondent Description:* The respondent universe currently comprises 155 companies (on average) subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

6. *Estimated Burden:* 28,830 total hours, 155 respondents (average), 1 response per respondent, and 189 hours per response (average).

7. *Estimated Cost Burden to respondents:* 28,830 hours/2080 hours per years $\times$ \$117,321 per year =

\$1,692,889. The cost per respondent is equal to \$10,922.

Statutory Authority: Statutory provisions of 49 App. U.S.C. §§ 1-85 (1988).

Philis J. Posey,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[IC07-6Q-001, FERC 6Q]

Commission Information Collection Activities, Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Extension

March 30, 2007.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and extension of this information collection requirement. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of December 15, 2006 (71 FR 75523-75524) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by May 4, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Address comments on the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, *Attention:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Comments to OMB should be filed electronically, c/o *oira_submission@omb.eop.gov* and include the OMB Control No. as a point of reference. The Desk Officer may be reached by telephone at 202-395-4650. A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Executive Director, ED-34, *Attention:* Michael Miller, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those persons filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filings an original and 14 copies, of such

comments should be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, D.C. 20426 and should refer to Docket No. IC07-6Q-001.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in WordPerfect, MS Word, Portable Document Format, or ASCII format. To file the document, access the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> and click on "Make an E-Filing," and then follow the instructions for each screen. First time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments. User assistance for electronic filings is available at 202-502-8258 or by e-mail to efiling@ferc.gov. Comments should not be submitted to this e-mail address.

All comments may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely via the Internet through FERC's homepage using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For user assistance, contact FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202)502-8415, by fax at (202)273-0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description

The information collection submitted for OMB review contains the following:

1. *Collection of Information:* FERC 6Q "Quarterly Financial Report of Oil Pipeline Companies."

2. *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

3. *Control No.:* 1902-0206.

The Commission is now requesting that OMB approve and extend the expiration date for an additional three years with no changes to the existing collection. The information filed with the Commission is mandatory.

4. *Necessity of the Collection of Information:* Submission of the information is necessary for the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the statutory provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act (ICA), (49 U.S.C.). Although the Commission requires jurisdictional entities to file financial information, a general weakness in this reporting program has been the frequency with which the financial

reports are required. In a rapidly changing business environment, annual reporting is simply insufficient. Financial accounting and reporting provides needed information concerning a company's past performance and its future prospects. Without reliable financial statements prepared in accordance with the Commission's Uniform System of Accounts and related regulations, the Commission would be unable to accurately determine the costs that relate to a particular time period, service or line of business. Additionally, it would be difficult to determine whether a given entity has previously been given the opportunity to recover its cost through rates, or to compare how the financial performance and results of operations of one regulated entity relates to that of another.

The need for current and better disclosures in financial statements drives the increasing demand for timely, relevant and reliable financial information. As such, the FERC Form 6-Q Quarterly Report provides the Commission with a more timely and informative picture of the jurisdictional oil pipeline entities' financial and operational condition.

More specifically, the Commission's Office of Enforcement (OE) uses the FERC Form 6-Q data collected to assist in the implementation of its financial and operational audits and investigation programs, in the review of the financial condition of regulated companies, and in the assessment of energy markets. The Office of Energy Markets and Reliability (OEMR) uses the data collected for its various rate proceedings and economic analysis. The Office of Administrative Litigation (OAL) uses the data collected for background research for use in litigation. The Office of General Counsel (OGC) uses the data in its programs relating to the administration of the ICA.

5. *Respondent Description:* The respondent universe currently comprises 138 companies (on average) subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

6. *Estimated Burden:* 62,100 total hours, 138 respondents (average), 3 responses per respondent, and 150 hours per response (average).

7. *Estimated Cost Burden to respondents:* 62,100 hours/2080 hours per years $\times$ \$117,321 per year = \$3,646,494. The cost per respondent is equal to \$26,424.

Statutory Authority: 49 App. U.S.C. §§ 1–85 (1988).

Philis J. Posey,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2205–039]

Central Vermont Public Service Commission; Notice Dismissing Filing as Deficient

March 30, 2007.

On February 13, 2007, Commission staff issued an order modifying and approving a recreation plan under article 415 of the project license for the Lamoille Hydroelectric Project, located on the Lamoille River in Chittenden, Franklin, and Lamoille Counties, Vermont.¹ On March 14, 2007, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation (Central Vermont or the licensee) filed a timely request for rehearing, seeking to modify the February order.

Specifically, the licensee requests rehearing of a provision in the February order regarding an access area for canoes and car-top boats at the south end of Arrowhead Mountain Reservoir. The February order modified the licensee's recreation plan. Ordering paragraph (C) of the February order provided that:

The licensee shall acquire title in fee or the right to use in perpetuity all lands necessary to improve the access area at the south end of Arrowhead Mountain Reservoir to provide carry-in access for canoes and car-top boats. The licensee shall file documentation of the land acquisition with the Commission and include the access area at the south end of Arrowhead Mountain Reservoir in the as-built drawings.

The licensee requests that the paragraph (C) requirement be deleted and suggests that, instead, the licensee will conduct a study of alternative access sites.

The licensee's rehearing request is deficient because it fails to include a Statement of Issues section separate from its arguments, as required by Rule 713 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.² Rule 713(c)(2)

¹ 118 FERC ¶ 62,125 (2007).

² 18 C.F.R. § 385.713(c)(2) (2006). See *Revision of Rules of Practice and Procedure Regarding Issue Identification*, Order No. 663, 70 FR 55723 (September 23, 2005), *FERC Statutes and Regulations* ¶ 31,193 (2005). See also, Order 663–A, effective March 23, 2006, which amended Order 663 to limit its applicability to rehearing requests. *Revision of Rules of Practice and Procedure*

requires that a rehearing request must include a separate section entitled “Statement of Issues” listing each issue presented to the Commission in a separately enumerated paragraph that includes representative Commission and court precedent on which the participant is relying.³ Under Rule 713, any issue not so listed will be deemed waived. Accordingly, Central Vermont's rehearing request is dismissed.⁴

We note that, even if the pleading had included the required statement of facts, we would nevertheless deny rehearing. Central Vermont concedes that “the provision of public access for canoes and car-top boats at the south end of [Arrowhead Mountain Reservoir] is desired,” and that “no detailed analysis of alternative south end access for canoes and car-top boats has been performed.” It shows no deficiency in the February order, but merely speculates that some other form of access might be preferable. Accordingly, we find the request for rehearing to be without merit.⁵

Philis J. Posey,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP07–364–000]

Destin Pipeline Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Tariff Filing and Non-Conforming Service Agreement

March 30, 2007.

Take notice that on March 23, 2007, Destin Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Destin) tendered for filing with the

Regarding Issue Identification, Order No. 663–A, 71 FR 14640 (March 23, 2006), *FERC Statutes and Regulations* ¶ 31,211 (2006).

³ As explained in Order No. 663, the purpose of this requirement is to benefit all participants in a proceeding by ensuring that the filer, the Commission, and all other participants understand the issues raised by the filer, and to enable the Commission to respond to these issues. Having a clearly articulated Statement of Issues ensures that issues are properly raised before the Commission and avoids the waste of time and resources involved in litigating appeals regarding which the courts of appeals lack jurisdiction because the issues on appeal were not clearly identified before the Commission. See Order No. 663 at P 3–4.

⁴ See, e.g., *South Carolina Electric & Gas Company*, 116 FERC ¶ 61,218 (2006); and *Duke Power Company, LLC*, 116 FERC ¶ 61,171 (2006).

⁵ We note that the licensee may file a request for an amendment to the license that would allow for the consideration of an alternative site for an access area, but note that such a proposal would require consultation with relevant resource agencies as well as public notice with the opportunity for comment.