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Dated: July 12, 2016.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: CP16-469-000.

Applicants: ANR Storage Company.

Description: Abbreviated Application of ANR Storage Company for Approval to Abandon Individually Certificated Part 157 Service and Provide Part 284 Service.

Filed Date: 6/16/16.

Accession Number: 20160616-5109.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/15/16.

Docket Numbers: RP16-1082-000.

Applicants: Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: Petition for Approval of Settlement of Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC.

Filed Date: 6/30/16.

Accession Number: 20160630-5425.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/12/16.

Docket Numbers: RP16-1083-000.

Applicants: MIGC LLC.

Description: Annual Fuel Retention Percentage Tracker of MIGC LLC.

Filed Date: 7/1/16.

Accession Number: 20160701-5344.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 7/13/16.

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Filings in Existing Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP01-382-026.

Applicants: Northern Natural Gas Company.

Description: Northern Natural Gas Company submits Carlton Reimbursement Report.

Filed Date: 6/1/16.

Accession Number: 20160601-5395.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 6/18/16.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL16-90-000]

Panda Liberty LLC; Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

On July 12, 2016, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. EL16-90-000, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e (2012), instituting an investigation into the justness and reasonableness of Panda Liberty LLC's proposed reactive power rate schedule. *Panda Liberty LLC*, 156 FERC ¶ 61,033 (2016).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL16-90-000, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 12, 2016.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL16-96-000]

PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.; Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

On July 11, 2016, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. EL16-96-000, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e (2012), instituting an investigation into the justness and reasonableness of certain aspects of PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.'s Amended and Restated Operating Agreement. *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, 156 FERC ¶ 61,030 (2016).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL16-96-000, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 12, 2016.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RD16-4-000]

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) invites public comment in Docket No. RD16-4-000 on a proposed change to a collection of information (FERC-725M, Mandatory Reliability Standards: Generator Requirements at the Transmission Interface) that the Commission is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The Commission previously issued a Notice in the **Federal Register** (81 FR 26543, May 3, 2016) requesting public

comments. The Commission received no comments and is making this notation in the submittals to OMB.

DATES: Comments regarding the proposed information collections must be received on or before August 17, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Comments filed with OMB, identified by the OMB Control No. 1902-0263, should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at: oira_submission@omb.gov, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Commission, in Docket No. RD16-4-000, by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Web site:* <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

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 <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission will submit the reporting and recordkeeping requirements of proposed Reliability Standard FAC-003-4 (Transmission Vegetation Management) to OMB for review. Proposed Reliability Standard FAC-003-4¹ replaces the requirements from the previous version of the Reliability Standard (FAC-003-3²), which is approved under FERC-725M (Mandatory Reliability Standards:

Generator Requirements at the Transmission Interface, OMB Control No. 1902-0263).

Type of Request: Three-year approval of the revised FERC-725M information collection requirements with the stated changes to the current reporting and record retention requirements.

Abstract: The Commission requires the information collected by the FERC-725M to implement the statutory provisions of section 215 of the Federal Power Act (FPA).³ 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 (EPAct 2005).⁴ EPAct 2005 added a new section 215 to the FPA, which requires 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.⁵

On February 3, 2006, the Commission issued Order No. 672, implementing section 215 of the FPA.⁶ Pursuant to Order No. 672, the Commission certified one organization, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), as the ERO.⁷ 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.

On March 14, 2016, NERC filed a petition for Commission approval of proposed Reliability Standard FAC-003-4 (Transmission Vegetation Management). NERC states in its petition that proposed Reliability Standard FAC-003-4 reflects revisions to the current Minimum Vegetation Clearance Distances (MVCDs) in Reliability Standard FAC-003-3 based on additional testing regarding the appropriate gap factor to be used to calculate clearance distances for vegetation. NERC explains that in

response to the Commission's directive as part of its approval of an earlier version of the Reliability Standard, FAC-003-2, NERC contracted with the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) to conduct this testing.⁸ As NERC notes, when the Commission approved Reliability Standard FAC-003-2, the Commission stated that "it is important that NERC develop empirical evidence that either confirms assumptions used in calculating the MVCD values based on the Gallet equation, or gives reason to revisit the Reliability Standard."⁹

NERC states in its petition that preliminary testing conducted by EPRI indicated that the gap factor used to calculate MVCDs should be adjusted. NERC further explains that proposed Reliability Standard FAC-003-4 proposes higher and more conservative MVCD values, and therefore maintains that these revisions will "enhance reliability and provide additional confidence by applying a more conservative approach to determining the vegetation clearing distances."¹⁰ NERC states that the revised clearances as reflected in Table 2 were moved into the text of the proposed Reliability Standard, and that MVCD values were added for elevations up to 15,000 feet, but that no other substantive changes were made to the currently-effective Reliability Standard FAC-003-3.¹¹

Type of Respondents: Transmission Owner (TO) and Generator Owner (GO)

Estimate of Annual Burden:¹² The burden and cost estimates below are based on the number of transmission owners and generator owners as reflected in NERC's registry (*i.e.*, updated since the Commission's approval of earlier versions of FAC-003). Transmission owners and applicable generator owners have a one-time burden to review and modify existing documentation, plans and procedures, as well as an ongoing burden to retain records. Our estimate of the number of respondents affected is based on the NERC Compliance Registry as of February 25, 2016. According to the Compliance Registry, NERC has registered 320 transmission owners and 940 generator owners within the United States, and we estimate that

³ 16 U.S.C. 824o (2012).

⁴ Energy Policy Act of 2005, Public Law 109-58, title XII, subtitle A, 119 Stat. 594, 941 (codified at 16 U.S.C. 824o).

⁵ 16 U.S.C. 824o(e)(3).

⁶ *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).

⁷ *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).

⁸ NERC Petition at 7 (citing Order No. 777, 142 FERC ¶ 61,208 (2013)).

⁹ Order No. 777, 142 FERC ¶ 61,208 at P 3.

¹⁰ NERC Petition at 3.

¹¹ *Id.* at 12, and n. 37 (describing certain non-substantive edits to the standard and implementation plan as compared to the currently-effective version of the standard).

¹² The Commission defines "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 information, refer to 5 CFR 1320.3.

¹ The Reliability Standard was approved in a Delegated Order issued on 4/26/2016 (posted at <http://elibrary-backup.ferc.gov/idmws/common/opennat.asp?fileID=14218839>).

² Reliability Standard FAC-003-3 was approved in Order No. 785 in Docket No. RM12-16-000. *Revisions to Reliability Standard for Transmission Vegetation Management*, Order No. 777, 142 FERC ¶ 61,208 (2013). The associated reporting and recordkeeping requirements in FAC-003-3 were approved by OMB on Dec. 17, 2013, under FERC-725M.

approximately 10 percent (or 94) of the registered generator owners have interconnection facilities that meet the

requirements for applicability under the new standard. The estimated annual

burden and cost of the new standard follow.¹³

FERC-725M—CHANGES DUE TO FAC-003-4 IN DOCKET NO. RD16-4-000

Requirements/measures ¹⁴	Number of respondents ¹⁵	Number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden hours and cost per response	Total annual burden hours and cost	Total annual cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1)*(2)=(3)	(4)	(3)*(4)=(5)	
Strategies, documentation, processes, & procedures (M3) [one-time].	414	1	414	4 hrs.; \$248.64	1,656 hrs.; \$102,936.96 [@\$62.16/hr.].	\$248.64
Record Retention (Compliance 1.2) [ongoing].	414	1	414	1 hr.; \$31.76	414 hrs.; \$13,148.64 [@\$31.76/hr.].	31.76
Total Net Change, due to RD16-4.	2,070 hrs.; \$116,085.60 ¹⁶

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 estimates of the burden and cost of the collections 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.

Dated: July 11, 2016.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12965-002]

Wickiup Hydro Group, LLC; Notice of Schedule Change

On June 27, 2016, the Commission issued a "Notice of Teleconference to Discuss Endangered Species Act Consultation" for the Wickiup Dam Hydroelectric Project, FERC Project No. 12965. This teleconference has been rescheduled due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts to August 1, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time). Please email Karen Sughrue at karen.sughrue@ferc.gov to RSVP.

Dated: July 11, 2016.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP16-3-000 and CP16-3-001]

Texas Eastern Transmission, LP; Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Access South, Adair Southwest, and Lebanon Extension Projects

On October 8, 2015, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP (Texas Eastern) filed an application requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct, operate, and maintain pipeline loops, install additional compression, and allow for reverse flow capabilities. The proposed projects, known as Access South, Adair Southwest, and the Lebanon Extension Projects would enable Texas Eastern to transport up to an additional 622,000 dekatherms per day of natural gas on its mainline system from Uniontown, Pennsylvania to points in Ohio, Kentucky, and Mississippi.

On October 22, 2015, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the projects. Among

¹³ The estimates for cost per hour (for salary plus benefits) are derived from the Bureau of Labor and Statistics' figures for May 2015 (at http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm#11-0000 and benefits [updated March 10, 2016] at <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/cecec.nr0.htm>), as follows:

- \$62.16/hour for salary plus benefits [based on the average for an electrical engineer (code 17-2071, at \$64.20/hour), a first-line supervisor of forestry workers (code 45-1011, at \$33.34/hour), and a manager (code 11-0000, at \$88.94/hour)]
- \$31.76/hour, salary plus benefits for an information and record clerk (code 43-4000).

¹⁴ The Order in Docket No. RD16-4 does not modify the following requirements. However, due to normal fluctuations in industry, the number of respondents (TOs and GOs), in the submittal to OMB will be updated as follows.

- The Quarterly Reporting (Compliance 1.4) is required of 102 respondents (94 GOs and 8 Regional Entities), rather than 96 respondents.
- The requirements for Annual Vegetation Inspection Document (M6), annual vegetation work plan (M7), evidence of management of vegetation (M1 and M2), confirmed vegetation condition (M4), and corrective action (M5) are required of 94 respondents (rather than 88).

¹⁵ We estimate a total of 414 respondents (320 TOs and 94 GOs) are affected.

¹⁶ This is the estimate for Year 1 (including one-time implementation cost plus ongoing record retention costs). In subsequent years, only the record retention costs (\$13,148.64, annual total for all respondents) will continue.

For the submittal to OMB (available in reginfo.gov), the one-time implementation burden and cost (which will be completed in Year 1) will be averaged over Years 1-3.