

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Cynthia Sirk by phone at (202) 586-1658, or by email at cynthia.sirk@eia.gov. Access to the proposed form, instructions, and internet data collection screens can be found at: https://www.eia.gov/survey/form/eia_886/proposed/2018/form.pdf.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the expanded collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) ways to identify alternate sources of AFV information EIA proposes to collect. EIA will evaluate comments on duplication of data sources based on terms of data coverage, level of aggregation, frequency of collection, data reliability, and statutory requirements to determine whether alternate data sources represent a suitable substitute for EIA data.

This information collection request contains:

- (1) *OMB No. 1905-0191*;
- (2) *Information Collection Request Title: Annual Survey of Alternative Fueled Vehicles*;
- (3) *Type of Request: Renewal, with Changes*;
- (4) *Purpose:* Form EIA-886 is an annual survey that collects information on the number and type of alternative fueled vehicles (AFVs) and other advanced technology vehicles that vehicle suppliers made available in the previous calendar year and plan to make available in the following calendar year; the number, type, and geographic distribution of AFVs in use in the previous calendar year; and the amount and distribution of each type of alternative transportation fuel (ATF) consumed in the previous calendar year. Form EIA-886 data are collected from suppliers and users of AFVs. These data are needed by federal and state agencies, fuel suppliers, transit agencies and other fleets to determine if sufficient quantities of AFVs are available for purchase and to provide Congress with

a measure of the extent to which the objectives of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 are being achieved. These data serve as a tool for analysis on market penetration of AFVs in the motor vehicle population as well as trend analysis tools on the use and type of AFVs for Congress, federal/state agencies, AFV suppliers, vehicle fleet managers, and other interested organizations and persons.

(4a) *Proposed Changes to Information Collection:* EIA is proposing two changes to Form EIA-886: (1) Collect more detailed vehicle type information and weight classifications from suppliers and users of AFVs; and (2) incorporate questions for electric vehicle users to gain a better understanding of refueling infrastructure and electricity consumption in electric and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

(1) *Changes to Vehicle Type and Weight Classifications:* EIA proposes to standardize and break out weight classes to reflect industry standards by simplifying the list of vehicle type codes and adding a new column for detailed weight classifications in Parts 2 and 3 of Form EIA-886. These changes support EPA's emission inventory Motor Vehicle Emission Simulator model (MOVES) by making the weight classifications in EIA's data collection consistent with the weight classifications used by EPA. The MOVES model is the official emissions inventory model for highway and non-road mobile sources used by EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality. This model is also used by state, local, and regional governments for environmental analysis of official submissions to EPA required by the Clean Air Act, such as State Implementation Plans (SIPs) and transportation conformity analysis for roadway construction. In addition, the MOVES model is instrumental in the development of national inventories used for evaluating the costs and benefits of EPA regulations, such as the second phase of the Greenhouse Gas Rule for Heavy-Duty Vehicles currently underway, including the predictions of the effects of EPA regulations on air quality.

(2) *Questions for Electric Vehicle Users:* EIA seeks to gather tertiary information about electric vehicle power consumption to establish parameters for estimating consumption of electricity in its published report. EIA proposes to add questions to Part 2 of the form to collect information on charging patterns, mileage, and electric utility billing as it relates to electric vehicles.

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,050;

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 2,050;

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 8,575;

Average Burden per Response: 4.2 hours;

AFV Suppliers (30 Original Equipment Manufacturers): 3.5 hours per response;

AFV Suppliers (20 Aftermarket Vehicle Converters): 3 hours per response;

AFV Users (100 complex fleets): 4.3 hours per response;

AFV Users (1,900 simple fleets): 4.2 hours per response;

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* EIA estimates that there are no capital and start-up costs associated with this data collection. The information is maintained in the normal course of business. The cost of burden hours to the respondents is estimated to be \$631,635 (8,575 burden hours times \$73.66 per hour). Therefore, other than the cost of burden hours, EIA estimates that there are no additional costs for generating, maintaining, and providing the information.

Statutory Authority: Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Pub. L. 93-275, (FEA Act), and codified at 15 U.S.C. 772 (b), and Section 503(b)(2) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, Pub. L. 102-486 (EPACT92) codified at 42 U.S.C. 13253.

Issued in Washington, DC on November 9, 2017.

Nanda Srinivasan,

Director, Office of Survey Development and Statistical Integration, U.S. Energy Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 3253-014]

Mad River Power Associates LP; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 3253-014.

c. *Date Filed:* October 17, 2017.

d. *Submitted By:* Mad River Power Associates LP.

e. *Name of Project:* Campton Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: On the Mad River, in the Town of Campton, Grafton County, New Hampshire. The project occupies approximately 0.1 acre of United States lands administered by the United States Forest Service.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: 18 CFR 5.3 and 5.5 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact*: Ian Clark, Managing Partner, Mad River Power Associates LP, 826 Scarsdale Avenue, Scarsdale, NY 10583; (914) 297-7645.

i. *FERC Contact*: Dr. Nicholas Palso at (202) 502-8854; or email at nicholas.palso@ferc.gov.

j. Mad River Power Associates LP filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on October 17, 2017. Mad River Power Associates LP provided public notice of its request on October 22, 2017. In a letter dated December 13, 2017, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Mad River Power Associates LP's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402; and NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920. We are also initiating consultation with the New Hampshire State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating Mad River Power Associates LP as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; and consultation pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. Mad River Power Associates LP filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website (<http://www.ferc.gov>), using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the

document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in paragraph h.

o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a subsequent license for Project No. 3253. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.20 each application for a subsequent license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by October 31, 2020.

p. Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: December 13, 2017.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AC18-15-000]

Notice of Request for Waiver: Empire Pipeline, Inc.

Take notice that on November 9, 2017, Empire Pipeline, Inc., filed a request for waiver of the requirement to provide its certified public accountant certification statement for the 2017 FERC Form No. 2 on the basis of the calendar year ending December 31.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). 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 notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the

eFiling link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the eLibrary link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the website that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comments: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 8, 2018.

Dated: December 12, 2017.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1235-017]

City of Radford; Notice Soliciting Scoping Comments

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application*: Subsequent Minor License.

b. *Project No.*: 1235-017.

c. *Date filed*: May 30, 2017.

d. *Applicant*: City of Radford.

e. *Name of Project*: Municipal Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: On the Little River near the City of Radford in Montgomery and Pulaski Counties, Virginia. The project does not affect federal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact*: Tim Logwood, Director of Electric Utilities for the City of Radford, 701 17th Street Radford, VA 24141; Telephone (540) 731-3641.

i. *FERC Contact*: Allyson Conner, (202) 502-6082 or allyson.conner@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing scoping comments*: 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file scoping comments using the Commission's