

Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

**Tentative Agenda:** Update members on routine business matters.

**Public Participation:** The teleconference is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gary Burch at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the conference call; reasonable provision will be made to include requested topic(s) on the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the call in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues.

**Notes:** The notes of the teleconference will be available for public review and copying within 60 days on the STEAB Web site, <http://www.steab.org>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on February 5, 2008.

**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Energy Information Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request.

**SUMMARY:** The EIA has submitted the Coal Program Package to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for revision and a three-year extension under section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, at 3507(h)(1)).

**DATES:** Comments must be filed by March 12, 2008. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but

find it difficult to do so within that period, you should contact the OMB Desk Officer for DOE listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to OMB Desk Officer for DOE, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. To ensure receipt of the comments by the due date, submission by fax at (202) 395-7285 or e-mail to [Nathan\\_J\\_Frey@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Nathan_J_Frey@omb.eop.gov) is recommended. The mailing address is 726 Jackson Place, NW., Washington, DC 20503. The OMB DOE Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395-7345. (A copy of your comments should also be provided to EIA's Statistics and Methods Group at the address below.)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Grace Sutherland. To ensure receipt of the comments by the due date, submission by fax (202-586-5271) or e-mail ([grace.sutherland@eia.doe.gov](mailto:grace.sutherland@eia.doe.gov)) is also recommended. The mailing address is Statistics and Methods Group (EI-70), Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585-0670. Ms. Sutherland may be contacted by telephone at (202) 586-6264.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This section contains the following information about the energy information collection submitted to OMB for review: (1) The collection numbers and title; (2) the sponsor (i.e., the Department of Energy component; (3) the current OMB docket number (if applicable); (4) the type of request (i.e., new, revision, extension, or reinstatement); (5) response obligation (i.e., mandatory, voluntary, or required to obtain or retain benefits); (6) a description of the need for and proposed use of the information; (7) a categorical description of the likely respondents; and (8) an estimate of the total annual reporting burden (i.e., the estimated number of likely respondents times the proposed frequency of response per year times the average hours per response).

1. Forms EIA-1, 3, 4, 5, 6Q, 7A, 8A and 20, "Coal Program Package."
2. Energy Information Administration.
3. OMB Number 1905-0167.
4. Revision and three-year extension.
5. Mandatory.
6. The coal surveys collect data on coal production, consumption, stocks, prices, imports and exports. Data are published in various EIA publications. Respondents are manufacturing plants, producers of coke, purchasers and distributors of coal, coal mining

operators, and coal-consuming electric utilities.

7. Business or other for-profit; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

8. 4,474 hours.

Due to the changing structure of the electric power industry over the course of the last several years, the EIA-20 standby survey will include independent power producers in the event of an emergency, thus activating the use of the survey to provide information on the primary sources of electric power in the U.S.

Please refer to the supporting statement as well as the proposed forms and instructions for more information about the purpose, who must report, when to report, where to submit, the elements to be reported, detailed instructions, provisions for confidentiality, and uses (including possible nonstatistical uses) of the information. For instructions on obtaining materials, see the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, at 3507(h)(1)).

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**Jay H. Casselberry,**

*Agency Clearance Officer, Agency Clearance Officer, Energy Information Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC08-566-000; FERC-566]

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

February 1, 2008.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due April 7, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of sample filings of the proposed information collection can be obtained from the Commission's

Documents & Filing Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filings/elibrary.asp>) or by contacting the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Executive Director, ED-34, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those parties filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filing, the 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, DC 20426 and refer to Docket No. IC08-566-000.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in the acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's submission guidelines. Complete filing instructions and acceptable filing formats are available at (<http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide/electronic-media.asp>). To file the document electronically, access the Commission's Web site and click on Documents & Filing, E-Filing (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>), 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.

All comments may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely via the Internet through FERC's homepage using the eLibrary link. For user assistance, contact [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto: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](mailto:michael.miller@ferc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The information collected under the requirements of FERC-566 "Annual Report of a Utility's Twenty Largest Purchasers" (OMB No. 1902-0114) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of section 305 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), (16 U.S.C. 825d), as amended by Title II, section 211 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA). FPA section 305—Officials Dealing in Securities; Interlocking Directorates—requires that each public utility annually "publish" a list, pursuant to rules prescribed by the Commission, of the purchasers of the 20 largest annual amounts of electric energy sold by such public utility during any one of three previous calendar years. The required filers, the filing deadline, the specific information to be filed, and the requirement to publicly provide the information are all specifically mandated by the FPA. The Commission is not empowered to

amend or waive these statutory requirements. Requirements the Commission has the authority to amend, such as the filing format and method, are found in the Commission's regulations in 18 CFR 46.3.

The FPA requires public utilities to publish and file with the Commission a list of their largest customers and the identification of public utility board members who are also board members of the utility's largest customers.<sup>1</sup> This data on *interlocking directorates* allows the Commission to inquire into and determine whether public or private interests will be adversely affected by the holding of such positions.

Under the current OMB authorization, the Commission requires the filing of FERC-566 in hardcopy. However, the Commission has directed under RM07-16-000<sup>2</sup> to allow for the voluntary electronic submittal of many required filings, including the FERC-566, which is expected by early 2008. The implementation of eFiling 7.0 would eliminate the current burden of mailing or hand-delivering these filings in hardcopy.

**Action:** The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date and proposes to make the filing of the FERC-566 more efficient by the end of 2007 under RM07-16-000.

**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)
242 .....	1	6	1,452

The estimated total cost to respondents is \$85,261, [1,452 hours divided by 2,080 hours<sup>3</sup> (times \$126,384<sup>4</sup> equals \$88,226, rounded off). The cost of filing FERC-566 per respondent is \$365 (rounded off) 2.

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 using technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information;

(3) adjusting existing ways to comply with any previously applicable filing 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 cost estimate 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) The accuracy of the agency's burden estimate of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to calculate the reporting burden; (2) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (3) the proposal to

<sup>1</sup> Annual Report of Interlocking Positions, FERC Form 561, OMB No. 1902-0099, collects the interlocking directorate information.

<sup>2</sup> Filing Via the Internet, RM07-16-000, 72 FR 65659 (2007), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,259.

<sup>3</sup> Number of hours an employee works.

<sup>4</sup> Average annual salary per employee.

provide the option to collect FERC-566 electronically during 2008, as indicated under RM07-16-000 000 and any reduction in burden that option might allow filers.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC08-561-000; FERC Form 561]

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

February 1, 2008.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due April 7, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** An example of this information collection can be obtained from the Commission's Documents & Filing Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filings/elibrary.asp>) or by contacting the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Executive Director, ED-34, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those parties filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filing, the 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, DC 20426 and refer to Docket No. IC08-561-000.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in an acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's submission guidelines. Complete filing instructions and acceptable filing formats are available at (<http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide/electronic-media.asp>). To file the document electronically, access the Commission's Web site and click on Documents & Filing, E-Filing (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>), 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.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The information collected under the requirements of FERC Form 561 "Annual Report of Interlocking Positions" (OMB No. 1902-0099) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of section 305 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), as amended by Title II, section 211 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) (16 U.S.C. 825d). FPA section 305—Officials Dealing in Securities—Interlocking Directorates requires the annual reporting by public

utility officers and directors of similar types of positions they hold with financial institutions, insurance companies, utility equipment and fuel providers, and with any of an electric utility's twenty largest purchasers of electric energy.<sup>1</sup> The FPA mandates the information that must be filed, the required filers, the requirement to make the information available to the public, and the filing deadline. The Commission is not empowered to amend or waive these statutory requirements. Requirements the Commission has the authority to amend, such as filing format and method, can be found in 18 CFR part 46 and section 131.31.

Without this information collection, the Commission and the public would not be able to inquire into and determine whether public or private interests will be adversely affected by the holding of such positions.

Under the current OMB authorization, the Commission requires the FERC Form 561 filings in hardcopy with an optional diskette containing a spreadsheet of the interlocking directorate information. However, the Commission has indicated under RM07-16-000,<sup>2</sup> to allow for the voluntary electronic submittal of many required filings, including the FERC Form 561, by early 2008. Through eFiling 7.0, the form will be filed in Adobe Acrobat with an optional electronic spreadsheet attachment. Implementation of eFiling 7.0 will eliminate the current burden of mailing and hand-delivering the filings in hardcopy.

**Action:** The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, and proposes to make the filing of the FERC Form 561 more efficient during 2008 under RM07-16-000.

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

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (3)	Total annual burden hours (1)×(2)×(3)
1996 .....	1	.25	499

The estimated total cost to respondents is \$21,516. [499 hours

divided by 2080 hours<sup>3</sup> per year, times

\$126,384<sup>4</sup> equals \$30,320]. The cost per respondent is \$15 (rounded off).

<sup>1</sup> Annual Report of a Utility's Twenty Largest Purchasers, FERC-566, OMB No. 1902-0114, collects information from the twenty largest purchasers.

<sup>2</sup> Filing Via the Internet, RM07-16-000, 72 FR 65659 (2007), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,259.

<sup>3</sup> Number of hours an employee works each year.

<sup>4</sup> Average annual salary per employee.