

associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request

only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently

received by the Secretary of the Commission. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers in ascending order. These filings are available for electronic review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <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, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Docket no.	File date	Presenter or requester
Prohibited		
1. CP14-503-000	4-15-15	Susie Purcell. ¹
2. OR15-13-000	5-8-15	KC Allan. ²
Docket no.	File date	Presenter or requester
Exempt		
1. P-10808-000, P-2785-000	4-28-15	Hon. John R. Moolenaar.
2. CP13-483-000, CP13-492-000	4-29-15	FERC Staff. ³
3. CP13-83-000	4-30-15	US EPA.
4. CP13-483-000, CP13-492-000	5-1-15	FERC Staff. ⁴

Dated: May 12, 2015.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC15-7-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-915); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the requirements and burden ¹ of the information collection FERC-915

(Public Utility Market-Based Rate Authorization Holders—Records Retention Requirements).

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due July 17, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC15-7-000) 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:

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the information collection requirements for the collection described below with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

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

¹ Email record.

² Email record.

³ Phone record.

⁴ Phone record.

¹ 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 explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: FERC–915, Public Utility Market-Based Rate Authorization Holders—Records Retention Requirements.

OMB Control No.: 1902–0250.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC–915 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Commission has the regulatory responsibility under section

205 of the Federal Power Act (FPA) to ensure that wholesale sales of electricity are just and reasonable and provided in a non-discriminatory manner. The Commission uses the information maintained by the respondents under FERC–915 to monitor the entities' sales, ensure that the prices are just and reasonable, maintain the integrity of the wholesale jurisdictional sales markets, and ensure that the entities comply with the requirements of the FPA and any

orders authorizing market-based rate sales. FERC–915 information collection requirements are contained in 18 Code of Federal Regulations Part 35.41(d).

Type of Respondents: Public Utility Market-Based Rate Authorization Holders.

Estimate of Annual Burden: The Commission estimates the total Public Reporting Burden for this information collection as:

FERC–915—PUBLIC UTILITY MARKET-BASED RATE AUTHORIZATION HOLDERS—RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS

	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden and cost per response ²	Total annual burden hours and total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1)*(2)=(3)	(4)	(3)*(4)=(5)	(5)÷(1)
Electric Utilities with Market-Based Rate Authority.	1,955	1	1,955	1 hr.; \$30.66	1,955 hrs.; \$59,940.	\$30.66

The total estimated annual cost burden to respondents is: \$416,293.

- Labor costs: 1,955 hours * \$30.66/hour = \$59,940
- Record retention/storage cost for paper records (using an estimate of 48,891 cubic feet): \$315,792³
- Electronic record retention/storage cost: \$40,561
 - staff-time cost: 1,955 hours ÷ 2⁴ = 977.50 hours * \$28/hour⁵ = \$27,370;
 - electronic record storage cost: 865 * \$15.25/year⁶ = \$13,191

Dated: May 12, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP15–41–001]

Equitrans, L.P.; Notice of Filing

Take notice that on May 5, 2015, Equitrans, L.P. (Equitrans) filed an amendment, pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, for the Ohio Valley Connector Project in West

Virginia, and Ohio. The application of the project was originally filed on December 30, 2014 in Docket No. CP15–41–000. The amended filing may be viewed on the web at <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 at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208–3676 or TTY, (202) 502–8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Paul W. Diehl, Senior Counsel, Midstream, Equitrans, L.P., 625 Liberty Avenue, Suite 1700, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. Telephone (412) 395–5540, fax (412) 553–7781, and email: pdiehl@eqt.com.

Equitrans states that after filing the original application, Equitrans has continued working with landowners and other interested parties with respect to the route of the pipeline and the specific facilities that will be necessary. Also, after discussions with a proposed shipper, Equitrans has determined that the proposed H–313 pipeline will not be required to provide the firm transportation service. To accommodate this change, Equitrans proposes to eliminate the H–313 pipeline from the scope of the project. The H–313 pipeline is approximately 14.0 miles and 24-inch

diameter. Equitrans also proposes four minor re-routes of the proposed H–310 pipeline and changes of facilities. The amendment does not affect the Ohio Valley Connector Project's designed capacity of 850 MMcf/day.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 5 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to

² The estimates for cost per response are derived using the following formula: Average Burden Hours per Response * \$30.66 per Hour = Average Cost per Response. The hourly cost figure comes from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Web site (http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm). The occupation title is “file clerk” and the occupation

code is 43–4071. 69.4 percent of this cost is hourly wages. The rest of the cost is benefits (<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/eccec.nr0.htm>).

³ The Commission bases this figure on industry archival storage costs.

⁴ Only 50% of records are retained in electronic formats.

⁵ The Commission bases the \$28/hour figure on a FERC staff study that included estimating public utility recordkeeping costs.

⁶ The Commission bases the estimated \$15.25/year for each entity on the estimated cost to service and to store 1 GB of data (based on the aggregated cost of an IBM advanced data protection server).