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**Cornelia S. Orr,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. IC10-6-001 and IC10-6Q-001]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC Form Nos. 6 and 6-Q); Comment Request; Submitted for OMB Review

April 19, 2010.

**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 or FERC) has submitted the information collections described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. 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 issued a Notice in the **Federal Register** (75FR5061, 2/1/2010) requesting public comments. FERC received one comment on the FERC Form No. 6 and FERC Form No. 6Q and has made this notation in its submissions to OMB.

**DATES:** Comments on the collections of information are due by May 26, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Address comments on the collections 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 [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) and include OMB Control Numbers 1902-0022 (for FERC Form No. 6) and 1902-0206 (for FERC Form No. 6Q) as points of reference. For comments that pertain

to only one of the collections, specify the appropriate collection and OMB Control Number. The Desk Officer may be reached by telephone at 202-395-4638.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and should refer to Docket Nos. IC10-6-001 and IC10-6Q-001. (If comments apply to only one of the collections, indicate the corresponding docket and collection number.) Comments may be filed either electronically or in paper format. Those persons filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in an acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 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.

For paper filings, the comments should be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, and should refer to Docket Nos. IC10-6-001 and IC10-6Q-001 (or the appropriate docket number, if the comments pertain only to one of the collections).

Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in FERC Docket Number IC10-6 may do so through eSubscription at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp>. However, due to a system issue, Docket Number IC10-6Q is not available at this time for eSubscription. 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:

Ellen Brown may be reached by telephone at (202) 502-8663, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For the purpose of publishing this notice and seeking public comment, FERC requests

comments on the following information collections:

- FERC Form No. 6 ("FERC-6"), "Annual Report of Oil Pipeline Companies," implemented in 18 CFR Sections 357.1, 357.2, and 385.2011; OMB Control No. 1902-0022, and
- FERC Form No. 6-Q ("FERC-6Q" or "FERC-6-Q"), "Quarterly Financial Report of Oil Pipeline Companies," implemented in 18 CFR Section 357.4; OMB Control No. 1902-0206.

The associated regulations, information collections, burdens, and OMB clearance numbers will continue to remain separate and distinct.

Under the Interstate Commerce Act (ICA) (49 U.S.C. 1, 20, 54 Stat. 916), the Commission is authorized and empowered to make investigations and to collect and record data to the extent FERC may consider to be necessary or useful for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the ICA. FERC must ensure just and reasonable rates for transportation of crude oil and petroleum products by pipelines in interstate commerce.

The information collected by FERC Form Nos. 6 and 6-Q are used by the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the statutory provisions of the ICA, including the authority to prescribe rules and regulations concerning accounts, records and memoranda, as necessary or appropriate. 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.

*FERC uses data from the FERC Form Nos. 6 and 6-Q to assist in:* (1) Implementation of its financial audits and programs, (2) continuous review of the financial condition of regulated companies, (3) assessment of energy markets, (4) rate proceedings and economic analyses, and (5) research for use in litigation.

Financial information reported on the annual FERC Form 6 and quarterly FERC Form 6-Q provides FERC, as well as customers, investors and others, an important tool to help identify emerging trends and issues affecting jurisdictional entities within the energy industry. It also provides timely disclosures of the impacts that new accounting standards, or changes in existing standards, have on jurisdictional entities, as well as the

economic effects of significant transactions, events, and circumstances. The reporting of this information by jurisdictional entities assists the Commission in its analysis of profitability, efficiency, risk and in its overall monitoring.

A summary of the comment received (from the 60-day Notice) and FERC's response follow.

Comment: The Commission received comments from only one commenter, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), U.S. Department of Commerce. BEA endorsed the continued use of the information contained in the FERC Form Nos. 6 and 6Q, stating that:

"BEA uses FERC tabulations FERC forms 6 and 6Q indirectly. They are used to estimate the U.S. Census Bureau's Construction Value Put-In Place (VPIP) for oil pipeline utilities. Census VPIP serves as a major source data input to the National Income and Product Account (NIPA) for structures investment estimates. NIPA estimates for electric, gas, and pipeline structures rely upon the VPIP source data \* \* \*. The FERC Form 6 is used indirectly as well to derive annual pipeline transportation output in the Industry Accounts program. Data obtained by the Industry Accounts from the Association of Oil Pipelines "Shifts in Petroleum Transportation" report is based, in part,

on this survey. BEA currently uses this FERC information indirectly through the VPIP program and the trade association, and it is considered an indispensable data source to the NIPA estimates and Industry Accounts estimates."

FERC's response: The Commission is appreciative of BEA's continued support for the Commission's information collection programs.

**ACTION:** The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current FERC Form No. 6 and FERC Form No. 6Q requirements, with no changes.

**Burden Statement:** The estimated annual public reporting burdens and the associated public costs follow.<sup>1 2</sup>

| FERC data collection                                   | Projected number of respondents | Number of annual responses per respondent | Projected average burden hours per response | Total annual burden hours <sup>1</sup> |
|--|---------------------------------|---|---|--|
|  | (1)                             | (2)                                       | (3)   | (1) × (2) × (3)                        |
| FERC-6 (Complete form) <sup>2</sup> .....              | 142                             | 1   | 186   | 26,412                                 |
| FERC-6 (Pages 1, 301, and 700 only) <sup>2</sup> ..... | 1                               | 1   | 15  | 15                                     |
| FERC-6 (Pages 1 and 700 only) <sup>2</sup> .....       | 23                              | 1   | 10  | 230                                    |
| FERC-6Q .....  | 142                             | 3   | 150   | 63,900                                 |

The total annual cost to respondents<sup>1 2 3</sup> is estimated as follows.

| FERC data collection                                   | Total annual burden hours | Estimated hourly cost <sup>3</sup> (\$) | Estimated total annual cost to respondents (\$) <sup>1</sup> |
|--|---------------------------|---|--|
|  | (1)                       | (2)                                     | (2) × (1)  |
| FERC-6 (Complete form) <sup>2</sup> .....              | 26,412                    | \$66.29                                 | \$1,750,851  |
| FERC-6 (Pages 1, 301, and 700 only) <sup>2</sup> ..... | 15                        | 66.29                                   | 994  |
| FERC-6 (Pages 1 and 700 only) <sup>2</sup> .....       | 230                       | 66.29                                   | 15,247   |
| FERC-6Q .....  | 63,900                    | 66.29                                   | 4,235,931  |

*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 utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable 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 estimate of cost 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) Whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility;

<sup>1</sup> These figures may not be exact, due to rounding and/or truncating.

<sup>2</sup> Order 620 in Docket No. RM99-10 (issued 12/13/2000, available at <http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/common/opennat.asp?fileID=8370177>) established filing thresholds. The filing thresholds for filing all or part of the FERC-6 are based on the filer's annual jurisdictional operating revenues, for each of the three previous calendar years:

- File complete Form 6: Revenues \$500,000 or more
- File only Pages 1, 301, and 700: Revenues more than \$350,000 but less than \$500,000
- File only Pages 1 and 700: Revenues of \$350,000 or less.

See the instructions at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/forms/form-6/form-6.pdf> for more information.

The estimated annual totals for all filers completing all or part of the FERC-6 are: 166 filers and 26,657 hours, for a cost of \$1,767,092.

<sup>3</sup> Using 2,080 hours/year, the estimated cost for 1 full-time employee is \$137,874/year. The estimated hourly cost is \$66.29 (or \$137,874/2,080).

(2) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL #10-014; FRL-9141-9]

### Notice of Availability of the Draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permits MAG910000 and NHG910000 for Remediation Facility Discharges in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Including Both Commonwealth and Indian Country Lands) and the State of New Hampshire: The Remediation General Permits (RGP)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of draft NPDES general permits MAG910000 and NHG910000.

**SUMMARY:** The Director of the Office of Ecosystem Protection, Environmental Protection Agency—Region I (EPA New England), is providing this notice of availability of the draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general permits for remediation facility discharges to certain waters of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (including both Commonwealth and Indian country lands) and the State of New Hampshire. EPA is proposing to issue two nearly identical general permits for the two states. Throughout this document the terms “Remediation General Permit,” “RGP,” and “permit” will refer to the two general permits.

The Remediation General Permit (RGP) replaces the existing RGP, which will expire on September 9, 2010. The draft RGP establishes Notice of Intent (NOI) requirements, effluent limitations, standards, prohibitions, and management practices for facilities with discharges from remediation activities.

Owners and/or operators of these facilities, including those currently authorized to discharge under the expiring RGP, will be required to submit a NOI to be covered by the RGP to EPA New England and the appropriate state agency. After EPA and the State have reviewed the NOI, the facility will receive a written notification from EPA of permit coverage and authorization to discharge under the RGP. The purpose of this document is to solicit public comments on the proposed RGP. This action is being taken in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA), as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*).

**DATES:** Interested persons may submit written comment on the draft RGP to EPA-Region I at the address listed below. Within the comment period, interested persons may also request in writing that EPA hold a public hearing pursuant to 40 CFR 124.12, concerning the draft RGP. Such requests shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised at the hearing. A public hearing may be held at least thirty days (30) after public notice whenever the Regional Administrator finds that the response to the notice indicates significant public interest. In reaching a final decision on this draft RGP, the Regional Administrator will respond to all significant comments and make responses available to the public at the EPA New England office. All comments and requests for a public hearing must be postmarked or delivered before midnight May 26, 2010, the close of the public comment period, and must be submitted to the address below.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on the draft RGP may be hand delivered or mailed to Mr. Victor Alvarez, EPA-Region 1, Office of Ecosystem Protection, 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, Mail Code OEP-06-4, Boston, MA 02109-3912, or sent via email to [alvarez.victor@epa.gov](mailto:alvarez.victor@epa.gov). No facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted. The draft RGP is based on an administrative record available for public review at EPA-Region I, Office of Ecosystem Protection, 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, Boston, MA 02109-3912, Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The draft RGP, appendices, and fact sheet may also be reviewed over the Internet at: <http://www.epa.gov/ne/npdes/rgp.html>. To obtain a paper copy of the documents, please contact Mr. Alvarez using the contact information provided above. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying requests.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Alvarez at 617-918-1572, between the

hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Dated: April 19, 2010.

**Ira Leighton,**

*Acting EPA Regional Administrator, Region 1.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-8989-9]

### Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-1399 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed 04/12/2010 through 04/16/2010.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

### Notice

In accordance with Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act, EPA is required to make its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies public. Historically, EPA has met this mandate by publishing weekly notices of availability of EPA comments, which includes a brief summary of EPA's comment letters, in the **Federal Register**. Since February 2008, EPA has been including its comment letters on EISs on its Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/eisdata.html>. Including the entire EIS comment letters on the Web site satisfies the Section 309(a) requirement to make EPA's comments on EISs available to the public. Accordingly, after March 31, 2010, EPA will discontinue the publication of this notice of availability of EPA comments in the **Federal Register**.

EIS No. 20100133, Final EIS, FHWA, 00, TIER 1—FEIS Trans-Texas Corridor—35 (TTC-35) System, Improvement to International, Interstate and Intrastate Movement of Goods and People, Oklahoma-Mexico/Gulf Coast Element, Wait Period Ends: 05/24/2010, Contact: Brett Jackson 512-536-5946.

EIS No. 20100134, Final EIS, FHWA, TN, US 127/TN 28 Improvements, from 1-40 at Crossville to TN 62 at Clarkrange, Funding, U.S. Army COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Cumberland and Fentress Counties, TN, Wait Period Ends: 05/24/2010, Contact: Pamela M. Kordenbrock 615-781-5770.

EIS No. 20100135, Final EIS, BLM, NV, Round Mountain Expansion Project,