

the standards developed to enable the use of distributed ledger technologies when transacting the NAESB Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas. The NAESB report identifies all the changes made to the WGQ Version 3.1 Standards and

summarizes the deliberations that led to the changes being made. It also identifies changes to the existing standards that were considered but not adopted due to a lack of consensus or other reasons.

*Type of Respondents:* Natural gas pipelines under the jurisdiction of NGA and NGPA.

*Estimate of Annual Burden.*<sup>7</sup> The Commission estimates the total annual burden and cost for this information collection as follows:<sup>8</sup>

#### FERC-549C—STANDARDS FOR BUSINESS PRACTICES OF INTERSTATE NATURAL GAS PIPELINES

	Number of respondents	Average number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden and cost per response <sup>9</sup> (4)	Total annual burden hours and total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)	
Burden from Final Rule RM96-1-42 (NAESB Version 3.2) .....	59.33	1	59.33	100 hrs.; \$9,407	5,933.33 hrs.; \$558,148.35	\$9,407
Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines ....	165	2.96	490	96 hrs.; \$9,030.72	47,040 hrs.; \$4,425,052.80	\$26,818.50
Total for FERC-549C .....	.....	.....	549.33	.....	52,973.33 hrs.; \$4,983,201.15	.....

*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 estimate 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 collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Secretary.

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purpose of the surety assessment was to analyze cybersecurity elements within the standards, focusing on four areas: (1) The NAESB Certification Program for Accredited Certification Authorities, including the Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ)-012 Public Key Infrastructure Business Practice Standards, the NAESB Accreditation Requirements for Authorized Certificate Authorities, and the Authorized Certification Authority Process; (2) the WEQ Open Access Same-Time Information Systems suite of standards; (3) the WGQ and Retail Markets Quadrant Internet Electronic Transport (IET) and Quadrant Electronic Delivery Mechanism (EDM) Related Standards Manual; and (4) a high-level dependency analysis between the gas and electric markets to evaluate the different security paradigms the markets employ.

<sup>7</sup> "Burden" is the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate,

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP21-6-000]

##### Spire Storage West, LLC; Notice of Revised Schedule for Environmental Review of the Clear Creek Expansion Project

This notice identifies the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff's revised schedule for the completion of the environmental impact statement (EIS) for Spire Storage West, LLC's Clear Creek Expansion Project. The first notice of schedule, issued on August 26, 2021, identified January 21, 2022 as the final EIS issuance date. However, environmental staff is in the process of assessing various alternatives raised during the draft EIS comment period. As a result, staff has revised the schedule for issuance of the final EIS.

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, refer to Title 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

<sup>8</sup> Commission staff estimates that the industry's skill set and cost (for wages and benefits) for FERC-549C are approximately the same as the Commission's average cost. The FERC 2021 average salary plus benefits for one FERC full-time equivalent (FTE) is \$180,703/year (or \$87.00/hour) posted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Utilities sector (available at [https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics3\\_221000.htm](https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics3_221000.htm)).

<sup>9</sup> The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) provided in this section is based on the salary figures for May 2021 posted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Utilities sector (available at [http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics3\\_221000.htm](http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics3_221000.htm)).

#### Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of the Notice of Availability of the final EIS March 15, 2022

90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline June 13, 2022

If another schedule change becomes necessary, an additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the project's progress.

#### Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EIS and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <https://www.ferc.gov/>

[www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2\\_22.htm#13-0000](https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm#13-0000)) and scaled to reflect benefits using the relative importance of employer costs in employee compensation from June 2021 (available at [https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2\\_22.htm](https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm)). The hourly estimates for salary plus benefits are:

Petroleum Engineer (Occupation Code: 17-2171), \$74.20

Computer Systems Analysts (Occupation Code: 15-1120), \$67.99

Legal (Occupation Code: 23-0000), \$142.25

Economist (Occupation Code: 19-3011), \$75.75

The average hourly cost (salary plus benefits) is calculated weighting each of the aforementioned wage categories as follows: \$74.20 (0.3) + \$142.25 (0.3) + \$67.99 (0.15) + \$75.75 (0.25) = \$94.07.

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Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-FERC or on the FERC website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)). Using the "eLibrary" link, select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" (*i.e.*, CP21-6), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0116; FRL-9496-01-OMS]

### Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NESHAP for Plating and Polishing Area Sources (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency has submitted an information collection request (ICR), NESHAP for Plating and Polishing Area Sources (EPA ICR Number 2294.06, OMB Control Number 2060-0623), to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through March 31, 2022. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on April 13, 2021 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. A fuller description of the ICR is given below, including its estimated burden and cost to the public. An agency may neither conduct nor sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently-valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before February 25, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0116, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method) or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Muntasir Ali, Sector Policies and Program Division (D243-05), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711; telephone number: (919) 541-0833; email address: [ali.muntasir@epa.gov](mailto:ali.muntasir@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at <https://www.regulations.gov>, or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit: <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

**Abstract:** The National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Plating and Polishing Area Sources (40 CFR part 63, subpart WWWWWW) apply to both existing and new plating and polishing facilities that are an area source of hazardous air pollutant (HAP) emissions and that use one or more of the following metal HAP: Cadmium, chromium, lead manganese, or nickel (hereafter referred to as the plating and polishing metal HAP). A

plating and polishing facility is a plant site that is engaged in any of the following processes: Non-chromium electroplating; electroless or non-electrolytic plating; other non-electrolytic metal coating processes such as chromate conversion coating, nickel acetate sealing, sodium dichromate sealing, and manganese phosphate coating, and thermal spraying; dry mechanical polishing of finished metals and formed products after plating or thermal spraying; electroforming; and electro-polishing. New facilities include those that commenced construction, modification, or reconstruction after the date of proposal. In general, all NESHAP standards require initial notifications, performance tests, and periodic reports by the owners/operators of the affected facilities. They are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance with 40 CFR part 63, subpart WWWWWW.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Plating and polishing area source facilities.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory (40 CFR part 63, subpart WWWWWW).

*Estimated number of respondents:* 2,900 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Initially and annually.

*Total estimated burden:* 67,700 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$8,000,000 (per year), which includes no annualized capital/startup or operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in the Estimates:* There is no change in burden from the most-recently approved ICR as currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens. This situation is due to two considerations. First, the regulations have not changed over the past three years and are not anticipated to change over the next three years. Second, the growth rate for this industry is very low or non-existent, so there is no significant change in the overall burden. Since there are no changes in the regulatory requirements and there is no significant industry growth, there are also no changes in the capital/startup or