

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 3211-010]

**Power Authority of the State of New York; Notice of Reasonable Period of Time for Water Quality Certification Application**

On March 11, 2022, the Power Authority of the State of New York submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) evidence of its application for a Clean Water Act section 401(a)(1) water quality certification filed with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (New York DEC), in conjunction with the above captioned project. Pursuant to section 401 of the Clean Water Act<sup>1</sup> and section 5.23(b) of the Commission's regulations,<sup>2</sup> a state certifying agency is deemed to have waived its certifying authority if it fails or refuses to act on a certification request within a reasonable period of time, which is one year after the date the certification request was received. Accordingly, we hereby notify New York DEC of the following:

*Date that New York DEC Received the Certification Request:* March 11, 2022.

If New York DEC fails or refuses to act on the water quality certification request on or before March 11, 2023, then the agency certifying authority is deemed waived pursuant to section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1341(a)(1).

Dated: April 7, 2022.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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[Docket No. RD22-2-000]

**Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-725a, FERC-725d, FERC-725g, FERC-725m and FERC-725Z)**

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on a renewal of currently approved information collection, (FERC-725A, FERC-725D, FERC-725G, FERC-725M and FERC-725Z) the proposed retirement of FAC-010-3, the proposed FAC-011-4, FAC-014-3, IRO-008-3, TOP-001-6 and proposed corresponding revisions to FAC-003-5, PRC-002-3, PRC-023-5 and PRC-026-2 Reliability Standards.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due June 13, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. RD22-2-000) by one of the following methods:

Electronic filing through <http://www.ferc.gov>, is preferred.

- **Electronic Filing:** Documents must be filed in acceptable native applications and print-to-PDF, but not in scanned or picture format.

- For those unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service Only:*  
Addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- *Hand (including courier) delivery:*  
Deliver to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

**Instructions:** All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov>. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at (866) 208-3676 (toll-free).

**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>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), telephone at (202) 502-8663.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Title:** FERC-725A, FERC-725D, FERC-725G, FERC-725M and FERC-725Z.

**OMB Control No.:** OMB Control No.: 1902-244 (FERC-725A), 1902-247 (FERC-725D), 1902-252 (FERC-725G), 1902-263 (FERC-725M) and 1902-276 (FERC-725Z).

**Type of Request:** Three-year approval of the FERC-725A, FERC-725D, FERC-725G, FERC-725M and FERC-725Z information collection requirements

with changes to the current reporting requirements as follows.

**Abstract:** The Electricity Modernization Act of 2005, which is Title XII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005<sup>1</sup> (EPAct 2005), was enacted into law. Reliability Standards that NERC proposes to the Commission may include Reliability Standards that are proposed by a Regional Entity to be effective in that region.<sup>2</sup> Section 215 of the FPA requires a Commission-certified ERO to develop mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards, subject to Commission review and approval. Once approved, the Reliability Standards may be enforced by the ERO subject to Commission oversight or by the Commission independently.

The number of respondents below is based on an estimate of the NERC compliance registry for balancing authority, transmission operator, generator operator, generator owner and reliability coordinator. The Commission based its paperwork burden estimates on the NERC compliance registry as of January 7, 2022. According to the registry, there are 98 balancing authorities (BAs), 325 transmission owners (TOs), 168 transmission operators (TOPs), 204 transmission planners (TPs), 1,068 generator owners (GOs), 945 generator operators (GOPs), 302 distribution providers (DPs), 63 planning coordinators (PCs) and 12 reliability coordinators (RCs). The estimates are based on the change in burden from the current standards to the standards approved in this Order. The Commission based the burden estimates on staff experience, knowledge, and expertise.

The estimates are based combination on one-time (years 1 and 2) and ongoing execution (year 3) obligations to follow the revised Reliability Standards.

The Project 2015-09 Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits Standard Drafting Team (SDT): (1) Developed proposed revisions to Reliability Standards and their applicable functional entities: FAC-011-4 (RC), FAC-014-3 (PC, RC, TO, TP), IRO-008-3 (RC), and TOP-001-6 (BA, TO, GO, DP); (2) proposed the retirement of FAC-010-3 (PA/PC) and developed corresponding revisions to FAC-003-5 (TO, GO), PRC-002-3 (RC, TO, GO), PRC-023-5 (TO, GO, DP, PC), and PRC-026-2 (TO, GO, PC) Reliability Standards to remove or replace references to system operating limits

<sup>1</sup> 16 U.S.C. 824d(a).

<sup>2</sup> 16 U.S.C. 824o(e)(4). A Regional Entity is an entity that has been approved by the Commission to enforce Reliability Standards under delegated authority from the ERO. See 16 U.S.C. 824o(a)(7) and (e)(4).

<sup>1</sup> 33 U.S.C. 1341(a)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 18 CFR [4.34(b)(5)/5.23(b)/153.4/157.22].