

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC08–11–000; FERC Form No. 11]

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

March 13, 2008.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

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

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 May 19, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from the Commission’s Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>) or from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Executive Director Officer, 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 Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First

Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and refer to Docket No. IC08–11–000.

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.

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 or toll-free at (866) 208–3676 or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Miller, the Commission’s Information Collection Officer, may be reached by telephone at (202) 502–8415, by fax at (202) 273–0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collected under the requirements of FERC Form No. 11 “Natural Gas Monthly Quarterly Statement of Monthly Data” (OMB No. 1902–0032) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Sections 10(a) and 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. 717–717w) and

the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA) (15 U.S.C. 3301–3432). The NGA and NGPA authorize the Commission to prescribe rules and regulations requiring natural gas pipeline companies whose gas was transported or stored for a fee, which exceeded 50 million dekatherms in each of the three previous calendar years to submit FERC Form No. 11. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR 260.3 and 385.2011.

Although the submission of the form is quarterly, the information is reported on a monthly basis. This permits the Commission to follow developing trends on a pipeline’s system. Gas revenues and quantities of gas by rate schedule, transition cost from upstream pipelines, and reservation charges are reported. This information is used by the Commission to assess the reasonableness of the various revenues and cost of service items claimed in rate filings. It also provides the Commission with a view of the status pipeline activities, allows revenue comparisons between pipelines, and provides the financial status of the regulated pipelines.

Action: The Commission is requesting a one-year extension of the current expiration date, while it assesses its information needs with respect to the Form 11. There are no changes to the existing collection of data. This is a mandatory information collection requirement.

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)
70	4	3	840

Estimated total cost to respondents is \$51,040. (840 hours divided by 2080 hours¹ per year times \$126,384² equals \$51,040.) The average estimated cost per respondent is \$729.14.

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) using technology and systems for the purpose of providing the information; (3) completing and reviewing the

information; and (4) filing 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 for the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to calculate the reporting burden; and (2) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected.

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Secretary.

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¹ Number of hours an employee works each year.

² Average annual salary per employee.