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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC09-714-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-714); Comment Request; Extension

May 7, 2009.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

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 or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Comments in consideration of the collection of information are due July 13, 2009.

ADDRESSES: An example of this collection of information may be obtained from the Commission's Web site (at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibRARY.asp>). Comments may be filed either electronically or in paper format, and should refer to Docket No. IC09-714-000. Documents must be prepared in an acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission submission guidelines at <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>.

Comments may be filed electronically via the eFiling link on the Commission's Web site at www.ferc.gov. First time users will have to establish a user name and password (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eregistration.asp>) before eFiling. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments through eFiling.

Commenters filing electronically should not make a paper filing. Commenters that are not able to file electronically must send an original and 14 copies of their comments to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket may do so through eSubscription (at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp>). In addition, all comments and FERC issuances may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely through FERC's Web site using the "eLibrary" link and searching on Docket Number IC09-714. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support (e-mail at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or call 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 ellen.brown@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FERC-714 (Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report (formerly called "Annual Electric

Control and Planning Area Report"), OMB No. 1902-0140) is used by the Commission to implement Sections 4, 202, 207, 210, 211-213, 304, 309 and 311 of the Federal Power Act (FPA) as amended (49 Stat. 838; 16 U.S.C. 791 a-825r), Section 3(4) of Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 26 U.S.C. 2602 and sections 1211, 1221, 1231, 1241 and 1242 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-58) (119 Stat. 594). The filing requirements are found at 18 CFR 141.51. The information allows the Commission to analyze power system operations, to estimate the effect of changes in power system operations that result from the installation of a new generating unit or plant, transmission facilities, energy transfers between systems and/or new points of interconnections. The analyses also serve to correlate rates and charges, assess reliability and other operating attributes in regulatory proceedings, monitor market trends and behaviors, and determine the competitive impacts of proposed mergers, acquisitions and dispositions.

ACTION: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current reporting requirements.

Burden Statement: There has been a change in burden due to: (1) An informal, limited survey of respondents in order to obtain improved estimates of both the burden and cost, (2) a change in the number of filers resulting from the formation of regional transmission organizations (and other similar entities) encompassing numerous former Control Areas (Balancing Authority Areas), and (3) the switch to an all-electronic filing in 2007 (from a paper and diskette filing). Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as follows.

FERC data collection	Number of respondents annually	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total annual burden hours
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)x(2)x(3)
FERC-714	215	1	187	1 18,705

Note: These figures may not be exact, due to rounding.

The total estimated annual cost burden¹ to respondents is \$885,155 (215 respondents x \$4,117 per respondent).

¹ These figures are based on a limited survey of 8 respondents. The average estimated annual burden per respondent (and filing) is 87 hours.

Using the number of hours spent by each specific job title or level, the estimated annual staff cost was calculated based on the nationwide average annual salary for various levels of engineers, found in the Occupational Outlook Handbook (2008-09 Edition) [posted on the Bureau of Labor Statistics Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos027.htm>]. The

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

estimated average annual staff cost for preparing the FERC-714 was \$3,603.

The respondents surveyed had additional costs of \$514, on average per year. Therefore the total estimated average annual cost per respondent is \$4,117.

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 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 of the proposed collection 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 collection 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2211-004]

Duke Energy Indiana, Inc.; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing with the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Relicensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

May 7, 2009.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2211-004.

c. *Date Filed:* April 24, 2009.

d. *Applicant:* Duke Energy Indiana, Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Markland Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Ohio River in Switzerland County, near the towns of Florence and Vevay, Indiana, and Warsaw, Kentucky. The project affects about 1 acre of federal lands administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Tamara Styer, Duke Energy, Mail Code: EC12Y, P.O. Box 1006, Charlotte, NC 28201-1006, (704) 382-0293 or tsstyer@duke-energy.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Dianne Rodman, (202) 502-6077 or dianne.rodman@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* Federal, State, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. See, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: June 23, 2009.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ferconline.asp>) under the "e-filing" link. For a simpler method of submitting text-only comments, click on "Quick Comment."

m. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The existing Markland Hydroelectric Project consists of a powerhouse integrated into the north end of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Markland dam, which was constructed by the Corps between 1959 and 1964. The project has a total installed capacity of 64.8 megawatts (MW) and produces an average annual generation of 350,454 megawatt-hours. All generated power is utilized within the applicant's electric utility system. The project operates in run-of-river mode, has no storage, and only uses flows released by the Corps.

The project consists of the following facilities: (1) A 96-foot-high, 248-foot-wide intake structure, with steel trashrack panels installed along the east side, directing flows to the connected powerhouse; (2) a powerhouse, integral to the Corps' Markland dam, containing three vertical shaft Kaplan turbine/generator units with a total installed capacity of 64.8 MW; (3) a tailrace discharging flows immediately downstream of the dam; (4) a substation about 250 feet north of the powerhouse; (5) an approximately 750-foot-long existing access road; (6) a 9.37-mile-long, 138-kilovolt transmission line in a 100-foot-wide right-of-way extending to Fairview, Indiana; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The applicant is proposing to add a new, approximately 300-foot-long access road, leading to a new parking area for recreation use at the tailrace of the dam.

o. A copy of the application is available for 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, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR, at 800.4.