State	Parents of dependents and independents with dependents other than a spouse		Dependents and independ- ents without
	Under \$15,000	\$15,000 & up	dependents other than a spouse
			All
Tennessee	2%	1%	1%
Texas	3%	2%	1%
Utah	5%	4%	4%
Vermont	6%	5%	3%
Virginia	7%	6%	4%
Washington	3%	2%	1%
West Virginia	3%	2%	2%
Wisconsin	7%	6%	4%
Wyoming	2%	1%	1%
Other	3%	2%	2%

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers: 84.007 Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant; 84.032 Federal Family Education Loan Program; 84.033 Federal Work-Study Program; 84.038 Federal Perkins Loan Program; 84.063 Federal Pell Grant Program; 84.268 William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program; 84.375 Academic Competitiveness Grant; 84.376 National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent Grant)

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1087rr.

Dated: May 27, 2009.

#### James F. Manning,

Acting Chief Operating Officer Federal Student Aid.

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC09-556-001]

### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–556); Comment Request; Submitted for OMB Review

May 26, 2009.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 USC 3507, the Federal Energy **Regulatory Commission (Commission or** FERC) has submitted the information collection 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 received no comments in response to the Federal Register notice (74FR7679. 2/19/2009) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due by July 6, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Address comments on the collection 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 *oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov* and include OMB Control Number 1902–0075 as a point of reference. 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 No. IC09-556-001. 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/submissionguide.asp. To file the document electronically, access the Commission's Web site, click on Documents & Filing, E-Filing (http://www.ferc.gov/docsfiling/efiling.asp), and then follow the instructions for each screen. New 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, an original and 2 copies of 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 No. IC09–556–001.

All comments may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely via the Internet through FERC's homepage using the "eLibrary" link. For user assistance, contact *fercolinesupport@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 *ellen.brown@ferc.gov.* 

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission uses the FERC Form No. 556 (Cogeneration and Small Power Production, OMB Control Number 1902–0075) to implement the statutory provisions in Federal Power Act (FPA) section 3 (16 USC 792–828c) and sections 201 and 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) of 1978 (16 USC 2601). These statutes authorize the Commission to encourage cogeneration and small power production and to prescribe such rules as necessary in order to carry out these statutory directives. Commission regulations pertaining to FERC Form No. 556 can be found in 18 CFR 131.80 and 18 CFR Part 292.

A primary objective of PURPA, as indicated in section 2 of the FPA, is the conservation of energy through efficient use of energy resources and facilities by electric utilities. One means of achieving this goal is to encourage production of electric power by cogeneration facilities which make use of reject heat associated with commercial or industrial processes, and by small power production facilities which use other wastes and renewable resources as fuel. Congress, through PURPA, established various regulatory benefits to encourage the development of small power production facilities and cogeneration facilities which meet certain technical and corporate criteria. Facilities that meet these criteria are deemed qualifying facilities (QFs).

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005), and in particular section 1253(a), added section 210(m) to the PURPA providing, among other things, for

termination of the requirement that an electric utility enter into a new contract or obligation to purchase electric energy from qualifying cogeneration facilities and qualifying small power production facilities, if the Commission finds that the QF has nondiscriminatory access to one of three categories of markets defined in section 210(m)(1)(A), (B) or (C). Thus, to relieve an electric utility of its mandatory purchase obligation under PURPA, the Commission has to identify which, if any, markets meet the criteria contained in 210(m)(1)(A), (B) or (C), and, if such markets are identified, it must determine whether QFs have nondiscriminatory access to those markets.

In 18 CFR Part 292, the Commission provides: (1) QF certification criteria, (2) QF application information, (3) a description of some of the benefits afforded QFs, and (4) transaction obligations that electric utilities have with respect to QFs.

Among the PURPA benefits identified in Part 292, are the requirements for electric utilities: (1) To make avoided cost information and system capacity needs available to the public; (2) to purchase energy and capacity from QFs favorably priced on the basis of the avoided cost of the power that is displaced by the QF power (*i.e.*, the incremental cost to the purchasing utility if it had generated the displaced power or purchased it from another source); (3) to sell backup, maintenance, and other power services to QFs at rates based on the cost of rendering the services; (4) to provide certain interconnection and transmission services priced on a nondiscriminatory basis; and (5) to operate in "parallel" with other interconnected QFs so that they may be electrically synchronized with electric utility grids.

A blank FERC Form No. 556 may be downloaded from the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docsfiling/hard-fil.asp#556. Click on the Electric tab, then click the Form No. 556 link, and choose from an MS Word or RTF format (in the Downloads & Links column). Examples of filings may be viewed through the Commission's eLibrary system. Click on the red eLibrary link found at the top of any of the Commission's web pages, and choose General Search. Under Class/ Type Info, choose Type: Qualifying Facility Application or PURPA Energy Utility Filing; then click the Submit button at the bottom of the page.

*Action:* The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no change to the existing reporting requirements in FERC–556.

*Burden Statement:* The estimated annual public reporting burden and cost for FERC–556 follow.

FERC-556	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 Certification	4 820	1	20 3	80 2460
Total	824			2540

The estimated total cost to respondents <sup>1</sup> is \$156,670.36 [2,540 hours divided by 2,080 hours per year, times \$128,297 equals \$156,670.36]. The average cost per respondent is \$190.13.

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 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 estimates 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The average employee works 2,080 hours per year. The estimated average annual cost per employee is \$128,297.

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. 12704-002]

Tidewalker Associates; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Commencement of Licensing Proceeding, Scoping Meetings, Solicitation of Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

May 26, 2009.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for a New License and Commencing Licensing Proceeding.

- b. Project No.: 12704–002.
- c. Dated Filed: March 25, 2009.
- d. Submitted By: Tidewalker
- Associates.

e. *Name of Project:* Half Moon Cove Tidal Power Project.

f. *Location:* Cobscook Bay, between the City of Eastport and Town of Perry, Washington County, Maine. No federal lands are involved.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR Part 5 of the Commission's Regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Normand Laberge, Tidewalker Associates, 46 Place Cover Road,

Trescott, Maine 04652. (207) 733–5513. i. *FERC Contact:* Steve Kartalia,

Stephen.kartalia@ferc.gov, (202) 502–6131.

j. We are asking federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in paragraph o 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. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with: (a) The U.S.

Fish and Wildlife Service and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402; and (b) the State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by Section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating Tidewalker Associates as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. Tidewalker Associates filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations. The Commission issued a Scoping Document on May 26, 2009.

n. A copy of the PAD and the scoping document are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (*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, of for TTY, (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the

address in paragraph h. Register online at *http://ferc.gov/ esubscribenow.htm* to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

o. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and the scoping document, as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and the scoping document, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and the scoping document, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from Commission staff related to the merits of the potential application (original and eight copies) must be filed with the Commission at the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. All filings with the Commission must include on the first page, Half Moon Cove Tidal Power Project) and number (P-12704-002), and bear the heading "Comments on Pre-Application

Document," "Study Requests," "Comments on Scoping Document 1," "Request for Cooperating Agency Status," or "Communications to and from Commission Staff." Any individual or entity interested in submitting study requests, commenting on the PAD or the scoping document, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so by July 23, 2009.

Comments on the PAD and the scoping document, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and other permissible forms of communications with the Commission 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*) under the "e-filing" link.

p. Although our current intent is to prepare an environmental assessment (EA), there is the possibility that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required. Nevertheless, these meetings will satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements, irrespective of whether an EA or EIS is issued by the Commission.

### **Scoping Meetings**

Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings in the vicinity of the project at the time and place noted below. The daytime meeting will focus on resource agency, Indian tribes, and non-governmental organization concerns, while the evening meeting is primarily for receiving input from the public. We invite all interested individuals, organizations, and agencies to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist staff in identifying particular study needs, as well as the scope of environmental issues to be addressed in the environmental document. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

#### Daytime Scoping Meeting

*Date:* Wednesday June 24, 2009. *Time:* 10 a.m.

*Location:* Marine Trades Center, 16 Deep Cove Road, Eastport, ME.

*Phone:* Normand Laberge at (207) 733–5513.

#### Evening Scoping Meeting

*Date:* Wednesday June 24, 2009. *Time:* 7 p.m.

*Location:* Marine Trades Center, 16 Deep Cove Road, Eastport, ME.

*Pĥone:* Normand Laberge at (207) 733–5513.

The scoping document, which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the