reading trend, reading vocabulary items, grade 12 mathematics trend, science test items, and the 2011 writing computer-based assessment. The Board will be provided with embargoed data that cannot be discussed in an open meeting prior to their official release. Premature disclosure of data would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP assessments in the subjects, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C. Thereafter the Committee will meet in open session till 3:00 p.m.

From 12:45 p.m. to 1:05 p.m. two of the Board's standing committees—the Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology (COSDAM) and the Reporting and Dissemination Committee—will meet in a joint closed session to receive a briefing on 2009 participation rates for 12th grade students and item response rates. In addition, members will be briefed on participation rates for private schools and students for all grades in subjects assessed in 2009. These data will provide information to help determine whether participation rates are sufficient to assure reliable test results and sufficiency of response rates for reliable measurement.

Following this joint session, the Reporting and Dissemination Committee will meet in open session from 1:05 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. COSDAM will continue to meet in closed session from 1:05 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. to receive a briefing on trend results for 2009 reading and grade 12 mathematics. Members will review secure data and results on trend analyses for 2009 reading and grade 12 mathematics with respect to achievement levels. The data will inform decisions on whether the evidence is sufficient to assure the technical feasibility of maintaining trend for reporting 2009 data. COSDAM will receive a briefing on preliminary results of the 2009 science achievement levels pilot study. Members will review secure science pilot results on the percentages of students scoring at or above the cut scores set in the science pilot study, and they will review item

These Committee meetings will be partially closed since disclosure of the secure data, not yet released to the public, would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP reading and science assessment programs at all grades and mathematics at grade 12, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The full Board will meet in open session on November 21 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. to receive a briefing on the NAEP Technological Literacy Framework project. This session will be followed by an ethics briefing conducted from 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., provided to Board members from the Office of General Counsel. The November 20 session of the Board meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 4:30 p.m.

On November 21, the Nominations Committee will meet in closed session from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. to review and discuss confidential information on nominees (to include individual names and resumes) received for Board vacancies for terms beginning on October 1, 2010. These discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The full Board will meet in closed session on November 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to receive a briefing on the 2009 Trial Urban District Assessment (TUDA) Mathematics Report Card. The data has not been released to the public and cannot be discussed in an open meeting. Premature disclosure of the embargoed data would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP TUDA program, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C. Thereafter, the Board will meet in open session from 9:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to review and take action on Committee reports. The November 21, 2009 session of the Board meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 11:00

Detailed minutes of the meeting, including summaries of the activities of the closed sessions and related matters that are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC09-592-000]

Request for Comment on and Emergency Short-Term Clearance Extension of OMB Approval for FERC– 592

November 3, 2009.

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

**ACTION:** Request for comment on emergency short-term clearance extension of OMB (Office of Management and Budget) approval for FERC–592.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3507(j) (2) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), as amended by the Information Technology Reform Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–106), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on FERC's request for an emergency short-term clearance extension of the OMB approval of FERC–592 (OMB Control No. 1902–0157; Marketing Affiliates of Interstate Pipelines, Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers).

**DATES:** Comments related to FERC's request for an emergency short-term clearance extension of OMB approval are due November 30, 2009.<sup>1</sup>

¹ On September 23, 2009, in this Docket, the Commission issued a request ("Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–592); Comment Request; Extension") for public comment on the current reporting requirements with no change. (The Notice is available in FERC's eLibrary at http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/intermediate.asp?link\_file=yes&doclist=13756416 and in the Federal Register at 74 FR 50176 (September 30, 2009).) The Notice provides

ADDRESSES: Address comments on the request for an emergency short-term clearance extension 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 1902–0157 as a 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. IC09-592-000. Comments may be filed either electronically or in paper format at FERC. 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 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.

For paper filings, an original and two 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. IC09–592–000.

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.

additional information and requests comments on the need for the reporting requirements; uses of the data; the accuracy of the burden estimate; ways to minimize the burden; and ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected. The comment period ends on November 30, 2009; those comments are to be submitted to FERC.

The Notice herein relates to FERC's request to OMB for an emergency short-term extension of the OMB clearance for the FERC–592 reporting requirements, and an expedited OMB decision on the request.

Comments related to issues in both Notices are due on November 30, 2009.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FERC-592 includes the reporting, recordkeeping, and posting requirements in:

- 18 CFR Part 358 (Standards of Conduct),<sup>2</sup>
  - 18 CFR 250.16, and
- FERC Form No. 592 log/format, that is posted at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eforms.asp#592.

This Notice refers to this group of collections of information as "FERC–592."

FERC does not have sufficient time after the pending comment period (ending November 30, 2009) to review and address public comments, to issue a subsequent 30-day Notice soliciting public comment, and to subsequently submit that Notice and a clearance package to OMB at least 60 days before the current expiration date (of December 31, 2009). Therefore, to ensure OMB clearance for the reporting requirements does not expire before the clearance process is concluded, FERC is requesting the following:

- An emergency short-term clearance extension of the current OMB expiration date to May 2, 2010 (the maximum of 180 days from this emergency request),
- Public comments, by November 30, 2009, on the FERC request for the emergency short-term OMB clearance extension, and
- The issuance, no later than December 3, 2009, of OMB's decision on the FERC request for an emergency short-term clearance extension.

Action: As described above, the Commission is requesting: (1) An emergency short-term OMB clearance extension, (2) public comments on the FERC request for an emergency short-term clearance extension of the OMB approval, and (3) an expedited OMB decision on the FERC emergency short-term clearance extension request.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

## **Combined Notice of Filings**

October 29, 2009.

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Docket Numbers: RP10–74–000. Applicants: Midwestern Gas

Transmission Company.

Description: Midwestern Gas Transmission Company submits Sixth Revised Sheet 0 et al. to FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume 1, to be effective 12/1/09.

Filed Date: 10/26/2009.

Accession Number: 20091026–0284. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, November 9, 2009.

Docket Numbers: RP10–76–000. Applicants: Total Peaking Services, LLC.

Description: Total Peaking Services, LLC submits proposed revisions to FERC Gas Tariff to comply with Order No. 587–T.

Filed Date: 10/26/2009.

Accession Number: 20091027–0034. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, November 9, 2009.

Docket Numbers: RP10–77–000. Applicants: Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC submits First Revised Sheet 10 *et al.* to FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume 1, to be effective 11/30/09.

Filed Date: 10/27/2009.

Accession Number: 20091028–0001. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, November 9, 2009.

Docket Numbers: RP10–78–000. Applicants: Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company.

Description: Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC submits Sixth Revised Sheet 21 *et al.* to FERC Gas Tariff, Fourth Revised Volume 1, to be effective 11/1/09.

Filed Date: 10/27/2009.

Accession Number: 20091028–0002. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, November 9, 2009.

Docket Numbers: RP10–79–000.
Applicants: Equitrans, L.P.
Description: Equitrans, LP submits

Fifth Revised Tariff Sheet 317 to FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume 1 to be effective 11/1/09.

Filed Date: 10/28/2009.

Accession Number: 20091029–0025. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, November 9, 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The requirements in 18 CFR Part 358 that are related to the natural gas industry are included in OMB No. 1902–0157 and this Notice. However, the requirements in Part 358 that are related to the electric utility industry are covered by FERC–717 (OMB Control No. 1902–0173) and are not a subject of this Notice.