

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP15-137-000]

Rockies Express Pipeline LLC; Notice of Application

Take notice that on March 30, 2015, Rockies Express Pipeline LLC. (REX), 370 Van Gordon Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80228-1519, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application under section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) to construct, install, own, operate and maintain certain additional mainline compression and ancillary facilities that upon completion will comprise REX's proposed REX Zone 3 Capacity Enhancement Project. Specifically, the REX Zone 3 Capacity Enhancement Project facilities, upon construction, will increase the Zone 3 east-to-west capacity by 800,000 Dekatherms per day (Dth/d) from receipts at Clarington, Ohio to corresponding deliveries of 520,000 Dth/d and 280,000 Dth/d to Lebanon, Ohio and Moultrie County, Illinois, respectively.

The complete application is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection, and is accessible online at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. It is also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to David Haag, Vice President of Regulatory, Rockies Express Pipeline LLC, 370 Van Gordon Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80228-1519, phone (303) 763-3258.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record

for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 7 copies of filings made in the proceeding with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters

will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests, and interventions via the internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the "e-Filing" link. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time on May 4, 2015.

Dated: April 13, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. IC15-6-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-725B); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the requirements and burden¹ of the information collection described below.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due June 16, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC15-6-000) by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Web site:* <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.
- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,

¹ The Commission defines burden as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

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/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the information collection requirements for the collection described below with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the 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 and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FERC-725B, Mandatory Reliability Standards for Critical Infrastructure Protection

OMB Control No.: 1902-0248.

Abstract: The information collected by the FERC-725B, Reliability Standards for Critical Infrastructure Protection, is required to implement the statutory provisions of Section 215 of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824o).

On January 18, 2008, the Commission issued order 706,² approving eight Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) Reliability Standards submitted by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) for Commission approval. The CIP version 1 Reliability Standards, (CIP-002-1 through CIP-009-1),³ require certain users, owners, and operators of the Bulk-Power System to comply with specific requirements to safeguard critical cyber assets. These standards help protect the nation's Bulk-Power System against potential disruptions from cyber-attacks. The CIP Reliability Standards include one actual reporting requirement and several recordkeeping requirements. Specifically, CIP-008-1 requires responsible entities to report cyber security incidents to the Electricity Sector-Information Sharing and Analysis Center (ES-ISAC). In addition, the eight CIP Reliability Standards require responsible entities to develop various policies, plans, programs, and procedures. However, the CIP Reliability Standards do not require a responsible entity to report to the Commission, ERO or Regional Entities, the various policies, plans, programs and procedures. Nonetheless, a showing of the documented policies, plans, programs and procedures is required to demonstrate compliance with the CIP Reliability Standards.

The Commission approved minor changes in CIP versions 2 and 3 Reliability Standards on September 30, 2009, and March 31, 2010,⁴ respectively. On April 19, 2012, the Commission issued Order No. 761, approving the CIP version 4 Standards (CIP-002-4 through CIP-009-4) and an implementation plan that scheduled their enforcement to begin October 1, 2014.⁵ The fundamental change in the CIP version 4 Standards was that all

subject entities would use the same 'bright line' criteria to determine which of the facilities they owned were subject to the required policies, plans, programs and procedures (which remained nearly the same as for prior versions).

On November 22, 2013, the Commission issued Order No. 791, approving the CIP version 5 Standards (CIP-002-5 through CIP-009-5, CIP-010-1 and CIP-011-1) and the proposed implementation plan. The CIP version 5 Standards are currently scheduled to be implemented and enforceable beginning April 2016. Order No. 791 eliminated the enforceability of the CIP version 4 Standards. The Commission also approved nineteen new or revised definitions associated with the CIP version 5 Standards for inclusion in the Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards (NERC Glossary). The CIP version 5 Standards identify and categorize BES Cyber Systems using a new methodology based on whether a BES Cyber System has a Low, Medium, or High Impact on the reliable operation of the bulk electric system. At a minimum, a BES Cyber System must be categorized as a Low Impact asset. Once a BES Cyber System is categorized, a responsible entity must comply with the associated requirements of the CIP version 5 Standards that apply to the impact category. The CIP version 5 Standards include 12 requirements with new cyber security controls, which address Electronic Security Perimeters (CIP-005-5), Systems Security Management (CIP-007-5), Incident Reporting and Response Planning (CIP-008-5), Recovery Plans for BES Cyber Systems (CIP-009-5), and Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments (CIP-010-1).

Type of Respondent: Entities registered with the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

Estimate of Annual Burden: There are three tables presenting burden associated with CIP Reliability Standards in the following section.

- The first table illustrates burden associated with CIP version 5 Reliability Standards.

- The second table illustrates burden associated with CIP version 3 and 4 Reliability Standards.

- The third and last table is a summation of the total burden for all active CIP-related Reliability Standards (i.e. CIP Versions 3-5).

² Mandatory Reliability Standards for Critical Infrastructure Protection, Order No. 706, 122 FERC ¶ 61,040.

³ Every version of the CIP Reliability Standards may be found on the NERC Web site at <http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Reliability%20Standards%20Complete%20Set/RSCompleteSet.pdf>.

⁴ 129 FERC ¶ 61,236 (2009) (approving Version 2 of the CIP Reliability Standards); *North American Electric Reliability Corp.*, and 130 FERC ¶ 61,271 (2010) (approving Version 3 of the CIP Reliability Standards).

⁵ *Version 4 Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards*, Order No. 761, 77 FR 24,594 (Apr. 25, 2012), 139 FERC ¶ 61,058 (2012), *order denying reh'g*, 140 FERC ¶ 61,109 (2012).

ANNUAL BURDEN RELATED TO CIP RELIABILITY STANDARDS

[Version 5]

Groups of registered entities	Classes of entity's facilities requiring CIP	Number of entities	Total hours in year 1 (hours)	Total hours in year 2 (hours)	Total hours in year 3 (hours)
Group A	Low	41	2,540	2,540	564
Group B	Low	1,058	554,392	554,392	110,032
Group B	Medium	260	128,960	64,896	64,896
Group C	Low	316	165,584	165,584	32,864
Group C	Medium (New)	78	1,248	19,136	19,136
Group C	Low (Blackstart)	283	22,640	-206,024	-206,024
Group C	Medium or High	316	257,856	131,456	131,456
Total	1,133,220	731,980	152,924

The total annual burden (related to CIP Version 5 only) is 672,708 hours when averaging Years 1–3 [(1,133,220 hours + 731,980 hours + 152,924 hours) ÷ 3 = 672,708 hours]. The total annual cost averaged over Years 1–3 is \$50,883,633

(672,708 hours * \$75.64⁶ = \$50,883,633).

Regarding CIP standards unaffected by CIP Version 5, the estimated burden has been adjusted to account for a reduction in affected entities.⁷ The applicable estimate related to CIP

Version 3 and 4 standards (related to the active components) is provided in the table below. (For display purposes, the numbers in the tables below have been rounded, however exact figures were used in the calculations.)

BURDEN RELATED TO CIP RELIABILITY STANDARDS

[Version 3 and version 4]⁸

Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden and cost per response	Total annual burden hours and total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
(1)	(2)	(1)*(2)=(3)	(4)	(3)*(4)=(5)	(5)÷(1)
1,415	1	1,415	⁹ 383 \$28,937	¹⁰ 541,334 \$40,946,496	\$28,937

The following items represent the estimated total annual burden for FERC–725B and includes all burden associated with CIP Reliability Standards.¹¹

- *Number of respondents:* 1,415 (Not all entities with CIP-related functions will be obligated to comply with every CIP reliability standard.)

- *Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,214,042.

- *Total Annual Cost:* \$91,830,137 (1,214,042 hours * \$75.64 = \$91,830,137).

- *Average Cost per Respondent:* \$64,898¹² (\$91,830,137 ÷ 1,415 entities = \$64,898).

Dated: April 13, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 184–246]

El Dorado Irrigation District; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed

with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application:* Application for Temporary Variance of Minimum Flow Requirements.

b. *Project No.:* 184–246.

c. *Date Filed:* April 9, 2015.

d. *Applicant:* El Dorado Irrigation District (licensee).

e. *Name of Project:* El Dorado Project.

f. *Location:* South Fork American River and its tributaries in El Dorado, Alpine, and Amador counties, California.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Brian Deason, Hydroelectric Compliance Analyst, (530) 642–4064, or bdeason@eid.org.

i. *FERC Contact:* John Aedo, (415) 369–3335, or john.aedo@ferc.gov.

⁶ The estimates for cost per response are derived using the following formula: Average Burden Hours per Response * \$75.64 per Hour = Average Cost per Response. The hourly cost figure comes from May 2014 data on the Bureau of Labor Statistics Web site (http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/naics2_22.htm). The figure is a mathematical average of the cost of wages and benefits related to legal services (\$129.68), technical employees (\$58.17), and administrative support (\$39.12).

⁷ The estimate has been decreased from 1,475 to 1,415. The NERC Compliance Registry indicated that as of 1/14/2015, 1,415 entities were registered for at least one CIP-related function/responsibility.

⁸ Reliability Standards CIP–002–3, CIP–003–3, CIP–004–3a, CIP–005–3a, CIP–006–3a, CIP–007–3c, CIP–008–3, and CIP–009–3.

⁹ This figure is rounded for display in the table. The actual number is 382.56813 and is used in the calculations above.

¹⁰ This figure is rounded for display in the table. The actual number is 541,333.91 and is used in the calculations above.

¹¹ CIP Versions 3 and 4 (remaining components of Version 3 and 4), and 5.

¹² This figure is rounded. The actual number is 64,897.623.