

Discussion of this information would be likely to significantly impede implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b of Title 5 U.S.C.

On Friday, August 3, 2018 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. the Board will meet in open session to receive an update on the NAEP Mathematics Framework followed by a full Board member discussion. From 2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Terry Mazany, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Measures of Postsecondary Preparedness will provide an overview of the Ad Hoc Committee's draft recommendations. Following this session, the Board will take a 15 minute break and reconvene in open session from 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. in small groups to discuss draft the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations. Thereafter, the Board will recess for a 15 minute break and convene at 4:30 p.m. to discuss takeaways from the small group discussions on the Ad Hoc Committee recommendations. The breakout sessions will conclude at 5:00 p.m.

The August 3, 2018 session of the Governing Board meeting will adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, August 4, 2018, the Nominations Committee will meet in closed session from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. The Committee will provide updates on nominees for Governing Board vacancies for terms beginning October 1, 2018 and provide updates on plans to open the nominations cycle for Board vacancies for terms beginning October 1, 2019. The Nominations Committee's discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of § 552b(c) of Title 5 of the United States Code.

On August 4, 2018, the Governing Board will convene in closed session from 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. to receive a briefing from Terry Mazany, Chair of the Search Committee for the Executive Director on the status of the search process and make decisions on the next steps for the hiring process. These discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of § 552b(c) of Title 5 of the United States Code.

Following the closed session, the Governing Board will meet in open session from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to receive a briefing on the NAEP Assessment Schedule with a focus on Social Studies. This briefing will be led by Sharyn Rosenberg, Governing Board staff and Eunice Greer, NCES staff.

From 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. the Ad Hoc Committee Chair, Terry Mazany will provide additional reflections on the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations on Post-Secondary Preparedness. The Governing Board will then receive reports from its standing committees from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Following a 15 minute break, the Board will receive a briefing and engage in discussion on the NAEP Achievement Levels Setting Policy led by Andrew Ho, COSDAM Chair. From 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. retiring Governing Board's Executive Director Bill Bushaw will provide remarks.

The August 4, 2018 session of the board meeting will adjourn at 12:00 p.m.

Access to Records of the Meeting: Pursuant to FACA requirements, the public may also inspect the meeting materials at www.nagb.gov beginning on Thursday, August 2, 2018, by 10:00 a.m. EST. The official verbatim transcripts of the public meeting sessions will be available for public inspection no later than 30 calendar days following the meeting.

Reasonable Accommodations: The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice no later than 21 days prior to the meeting.

Electronic Access to this Document: The official version of this document is the document published in the **Federal Register**. Internet access to the official edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations is available via the Federal Digital System at: www.gpo.gov/fdsys. At this site you can view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the **Federal Register**, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF). To use PDF, you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at the Adobe website. You may also access documents of the Department published in the **Federal Register** by using the article search feature at: www.federalregister.gov. Specifically, through the advanced search feature at this site, you can limit your search to documents published by the Department.

Authority: Pub. L. 107-279, Title III—National Assessment of Educational Progress § 301.

Dated: July 20, 2018.

William Bushaw,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board (NAGB), U.S. Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP18-522-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on July 12, 2018, El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. (EPNG), P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, filed a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.208, and 157.210 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) requesting authorization to install or upgrade appurtenant facilities at various locations in Winkler and Yoakum Counties, Texas and in Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico. Additionally, EPNG proposes to increase the maximum allowable operating pressure for approximately 2,800 feet of its 20-inch-diameter Line No. 1115 in Ector County, Texas (collectively, Permian North Project). EPNG states that the Permian North Project will provide 182,000 dekatherms per day of firm transportation service for six shippers. Specifically, EPNG proposes to install valves, actuators, station yard piping, and other auxiliary equipment at the Keystone, Pecos River Eunice B/C, and Plains Compressor Stations and the Ramsey North Meter Station. EPNG estimates the cost of the Permian North Project to be approximately \$12 million, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web 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, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Francisco Tarin, Director, Regulatory, El

Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C., P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, by telephone at (719) 667-7517, or by fax at (719) 520-4697.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

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 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 EA.

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 commenter's 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 commenter's will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentary, 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 in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 7 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Dated: July 18, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC18-11-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-585); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is submitting its information collection, FERC-585 (Reporting of Electric Energy Shortages and Contingency Plans Under PURPA Section 206) 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 previously issued a Notice in the **Federal Register** on April 12, 2018, requesting public comments. The Commission received no comments on the FERC-585 and is making this notation in its submittal to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due August 24, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Comments filed with OMB, identified by the OMB Control No. 1902-0138, should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs: oira_submission@omb.gov. Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. The Desk Officer may also be reached via telephone at 202-395-8528.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Commission, in Docket No. IC18-11-000, by either of the following methods:

- **eFiling at Commission's Website:** <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

- **Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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:

Title: FERC-585 (Reporting of Electric Energy Shortages and Contingency Plans Under PURPA ¹ Section 206).

OMB Control No.: 1902-0138.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC-585 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Commission uses the information collected under the requirements of FERC-585 to implement the statutory provisions of Section 206 of PURPA. Section 206 of PURPA amended the Federal Power Act (FPA) by adding a new subsection (g) to section 202, under which the Commission, by rule, was to require each public utility to report to the Commission and any appropriate state regulatory authority:

- Any anticipated shortages of electric energy or capacity which would affect the utility's capability to serve its wholesale customers; and
- a contingency plan that would outline what circumstances might give rise to such occurrences.

- In Order No. 575,² the Commission modified the reporting requirements in 18 CFR 294.101(b) to provide that, if a public utility includes in its rates

¹ PURPA = Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1979 (Pub. L. 95-617, 92 Stat. 3117), enacted 11/9/1978.

² Final Rule in Docket RM92-12-000, issued on 1/13/1995.