

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by “OMB Control No. 3038–0085” by any of the following methods:

- The Agency’s website, at <http://comments.cftc.gov/>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments through the website.

- **Mail:** Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581.

- **Hand Delivery/Courier:** Same as Mail above.

Please submit your comments using only one method. All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Comments will be posted as received to <http://www.cftc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melissa D’Arcy, Special Counsel, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (202) 418–5086; email: mdarcy@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Under the PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. “Collection of Information” is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3 and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the CFTC is publishing this notice of the proposed extension of the currently approved collection of information listed below. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Title: Rule 50.50 End-User Notification of Non-Cleared Swap (OMB Control No. 3038–0085). This is a request for an extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Rule 50.50 specifies the requirements for eligible end-users who elect the end-user exception from the Commission’s swap clearing requirement, as provided under section 2(h)(7) of the Commodity Exchange Act

(“CEA”). Rule 50.50 requires the counterparties to report certain information to a swap data repository registered with the Commission, or to the Commission directly, if one or more counterparties elects the end-user exception. The rule establishes a reporting requirement that is required in order to ensure compliance with the Commission’s clearing requirement under section 2(h)(1) of the CEA and is necessary in order for Commission staff to prevent abuse of the end-user exception under section 2(h)(1) of the CEA and pursuant to Rule 50.50.

With respect to the collection of information, the CFTC invites comments on:

- Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have a practical use;

- The accuracy of the Commission’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden of collection of information on those who are to respond, including through 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.

You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. If you wish the Commission to consider information that you believe is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, a petition for confidential treatment of the exempt information may be submitted according to the procedures established in § 145.9 of the Commission’s regulations.¹

The Commission reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse or remove any or all of your submission from <http://www.cftc.gov> that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language. All submissions that have been redacted or removed that contain comments on the merits of the ICR will be retained in the public comment file and will be considered as required under the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws, and may be accessible under the Freedom of Information Act.

Burden Statement:

- **Collection 3038–0085—Rule 50.50 End-User Notification of Non-Cleared**

Swap (17 CFR 50.50: Exceptions to the Clearing Requirement)

The Commission is revising its estimate of the burden for this collection for eligible end-users electing the end-user exception. The Commission is increasing the estimated number of respondents from 1,092 to 1,815 based on an observed increase in the number of entities electing the exception. The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to be as follows:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,815.

Estimated Average Burden Hours per Respondent: 0.58.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,053.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion; annually.

There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection.

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*)

Dated: August 8, 2018.

Christopher Kirkpatrick,
Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Air Force Reserve Command F–35A Operational Beddown

AGENCY: Department of the United States Air Force, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Amended notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Air Force issued a Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Air Force Reserve Command F–35A Operational Beddown Environmental Impact Statement (Vol. 83, No. 56 **Federal Register**, 12568, March 22, 2018) and is now being amended to correct the address for courier delivered public scoping comments.

DATES: The 10-working day resubmittal period begins on the date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: The address for courier delivered (*e.g.*, Federal Express or United Parcel Service) public scoping comments is: AFCEC/CZN, (ATTN: Mr. Hamid Kamalpour), 3515 S. General McMullen Drive, Suite 155, San Antonio, Texas 78226–1710.

The address for U.S. Postal Service mail delivery is the same as initially published on March 22, 2018: AFCEC/CZN, (ATTN: Mr. Hamid Kamalpour), 2261 Hughes Avenue, Suite 155, JBSA–

¹ 17 CFR 145.9.

Lackland Air Force Base, Texas 78236–9853.

Both the courier address and U.S. Postal Service address are listed on the project website (www.AFRC-F35A-Beddown.com), which also provides more information on the Environmental Impact Statement and related materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Notice of Intent provided the public with instructions on how to submit scoping comments to the Air Force in consideration of the four alternatives being considered, which include: Homestead Air Reserve Base, Homestead FL; Naval Air Station Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth, TX; Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, AZ; and Whiteman Air Force Base, Knob Noster, MO. The Air Force has subsequently been made aware that the address provided for submittal of courier delivered public scoping comments (e.g., Federal Express or United Parcel Service) was incorrect. This notice corrects the address for courier delivered public scoping comments and provides 10-working days for the interested public to submit scoping comments. During this 10-working day period, the Air Force is offering multiple ways in which comments can be submitted. Comments can be provided through the project website (www.AFRC-F35A-Beddown.com), via email to the email address provided below and via regular mail or via courier to the addresses listed below. The website also provides additional information on the Environmental Impact Statement and related materials. The Air Force will consider all scoping comments submitted.

Henry Williams,

Acting Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

[BPA File No.: RP–18]

Final Rules of Procedure

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of final rules of procedure.

SUMMARY: These final rules of procedure revise the rules of procedure that govern Bonneville’s hearings conducted under section 7(i) of the Pacific Northwest

Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act (Northwest Power Act).

DATES: The final rules of procedure are effective on September 12, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Heidi Helwig, DKE–7, BPA Communications, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon 97208; by phone toll-free at 1–800–622–4520; or by email to hyhelwig@bpa.gov.

Responsible Official: Mary K. Jensen, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, is the official responsible for the development of Bonneville’s rules of procedure.

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Part I—Introduction and Background

The Northwest Power Act provides that Bonneville must establish and periodically review and revise its rates so that they recover, in accordance with sound business principles, the costs associated with the acquisition, conservation, and transmission of electric power, including amortization of the Federal investment in the Federal Columbia River Power System over a reasonable number of years, and Bonneville’s other costs and expenses. 16 U.S.C. 839e(a)(1). Section 7(i) of the Northwest Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 839e(i), requires that Bonneville’s rates be established according to certain procedures, including notice of the proposed rates; one or more hearings conducted as expeditiously as practicable by a Hearing Officer; opportunity for both oral presentation and written submission of views, data, questions, and arguments related to the proposed rates; and a decision by the Administrator based on the record.

In addition, section 212(i)(2)(A) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824k(i)(2)(A), provides in part that the Administrator may conduct a section 7(i) hearing to determine the terms and conditions for transmission service on the Federal Columbia River Transmission System under certain circumstances. Such a hearing must adhere to the procedural requirements of paragraphs (1) through (3) of section 7(i) of the Northwest Power Act, except that the Hearing Officer makes a recommended decision to the Administrator before the Administrator’s final decision.

Bonneville last revised its procedures to govern hearings under section 7(i) of

the Northwest Power Act in 1986. *See* Procedures Governing Bonneville Power Administration Rate Hearings, 51 FR 7611 (Mar. 5, 1986). Since the establishment of those procedures, there have been significant advancements in the technology available to conduct the hearings. The revised rules of procedure incorporate changes to reflect the manner in which Bonneville will apply these advancements. In addition, through conducting numerous hearings over the past few decades, Bonneville gained insight regarding the strengths and weaknesses of its procedures. The revised rules reflect changes to make the hearings more efficient and to incorporate procedures that were regularly adopted by orders of the Hearing Officers in previous hearings. Finally, the revised rules now explicitly apply to any proceeding under section 212(i)(2)(A) of the Federal Power Act.

In order to encourage public involvement and assist Bonneville in the development of the revisions to the rules, Bonneville met with customers and other interested parties on February 13, 2018, in Portland, Oregon, to discuss how the then-current rules might be revised. Bonneville also posted an initial draft of proposed revisions to the rules for public review and informally solicited written comments over a two-week period ending February 28, 2018. After reviewing the comments, Bonneville incorporated a number of revisions to the initial draft of proposed revisions to the rules. On May 2, 2018, Bonneville published a Notice of proposed revised rules of procedure in the **Federal Register**. *See* Proposed Revised Rules of Procedure and Opportunity for Review and Comment, 83 FR 19262 (May 2, 2018). Although rules of agency procedure are exempt from notice and comment rulemaking requirements under the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(A), Bonneville nevertheless published notice of the proposed revisions to the procedural rules in the **Federal Register** to promote transparency and public participation. Bonneville accepted written comments on the proposed revisions until June 4, 2018.

Part II—Response to Comments and Changes to Proposed Rules

Bonneville received seven comments on its proposed revisions to the rules of procedure (“proposed rules”). In response to these comments, changes were made to the proposed rules as noted below. For purposes of clarity, if a term used in the discussion below is defined in the rules, the term has the meaning found in the rules. For example, “Party” refers to all