

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Docket No. IN12-17-000]****Total Gas & Power North America, Aaron Hall and Therese Tran; Updated Notice of Designation of Commission Staff as Non-Decisional**

With respect to an order issued by the Commission on April 28, 2016 in the above-captioned docket,<sup>1</sup> with the exceptions noted below, the staff of the Office of Enforcement are designated as non-decisional in deliberations by the Commission in this docket. Accordingly, pursuant to 18 CFR 385.2202 (2022), they will not serve as advisors to the Commission or take part in the Commission's review of any offer of settlement. Likewise, as non-decisional staff, pursuant to 18 CFR 385.2201 (2022), they are prohibited from communicating with advisory staff concerning any deliberations in this docket.

Exceptions to this designation as non-decisional are:

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Project No. 6240-064]****Watson Associates; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment**

On August 27, 2021, Watson Associates filed a relicense application for the 265-kilowatt Watson Dam Hydroelectric Project No. 6240 (project). The project is located on the Cochecho River in Strafford County, New Hampshire. The project does not occupy federal land.

<sup>1</sup> *Total Gas & Power North America, Aaron Hall and Therese Tran*, 155 FERC ¶ 61,105 (2016).

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, on August 23, 2022, Commission staff issued a notice that the project was ready for environmental analysis (REA Notice). Based on the information in the record, including comments filed on the REA Notice, staff does not anticipate that licensing the project would constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Therefore, staff intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) on the application to relicense the project.

The EA will be issued and circulated for review by all interested parties. All comments filed on the EA will be analyzed by staff and considered in the Commission's final licensing decision.

The application will be processed according to the following schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Commission issues EA.	May 2023. <sup>1</sup>
Comments on EA .....	June 2023.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Michael Watts at (202) 502-6123 or [michael.watts@ferc.gov](mailto:michael.watts@ferc.gov).

Dated: November 8, 2022.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Docket No. IC22-33-000]****Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-547); 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 soliciting

<sup>1</sup> The Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) regulations under 40 CFR 1501.10(b)(1) require that EAs be completed within 1 year of the federal action agency's decision to prepare an EA. This notice establishes the Commission's intent to prepare an EA for the Watson Dam Hydroelectric Project. Therefore, in accordance with CEQ's regulations, the EA must be issued within 1 year of the issuance date of this notice.

public comment on the currently approved information collection, FERC-547 (Gas Pipeline Rates: Refund Report Requirements), which will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due December 15, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments on FERC-547 to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) through [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain), Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Please identify the OMB Control Number 1902-0084 (Gas Pipeline Rates: Refund Report Requirements) in the subject line. Your comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Please submit copies of your comments (identified by Docket No. IC22-33-000 and FERC-547) to the Commission as noted below. Electronic filing through <https://www.ferc.gov> is preferred.

- **Electronic Filing:** Documents must be filed in acceptable native applications and print-to-PDF, but not in scanned or picture format.

- For those unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- **Mail via U.S. Postal Service only, addressed to:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- **Hand (including courier) delivery to:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

Please reference the specific collection number(s) (FERC-547) and/or title(s) (Gas Pipeline Rates: Refund Report Requirements) in your comments.

**Instructions:** OMB submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Using the search function under the "Currently Under Review field," select "Federal Energy Regulatory Commission," click "submit," and select "comment" to the right of the subject collection. FERC submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <https://www.ferc.gov>. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support by email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at (866) 208-3676 (toll-free).

**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 <https://www.ferc.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov) and telephone at (202) 502-8663.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Gas Pipeline Rates: Refund Report Requirements.

*OMB Control No.:* 1902-0084.

*Type of Request:* Three-year extension of the FERC-547 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

*Abstract:* The Commission uses FERC-547 (Gas Pipeline Rates: Refund Report Requirements) to implement the statutory refund provisions governed by Sections 4 and 16 of the Natural Gas Act

(NGA).<sup>1</sup> Section 4 authorizes the Commission to order a refund (with interest) for any portion of a natural gas company's increased rate or charge found to be unjust or unreasonable. Refunds may also be instituted by a natural gas company as a stipulation to a Commission-approved settlement agreement or a provision under the company's tariff. Section 16 of the NGA authorizes the Commission to prescribe rules and regulations necessary to administer its refund mandates. The Commission's refund reporting requirements are located in 18 CFR 154.501 (Refund Obligations) and 154.502 (Reports).

The Commission uses the data collected in FERC-547 to monitor

refunds owed by natural gas companies to ensure that the flow-through of refunds owed by these companies are made as expeditiously as possible and to assure that refunds are made in compliance with the Commission's regulations.

*Type of Respondents:* Natural gas companies.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*<sup>2</sup> Refund obligations occur following a Commission determination of unjust or unreasonable rates. Due to the nature of determinations on an ad hoc basis, the Commission estimate is based on the average number of refund obligations. The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collection as:

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Number of respondents (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) × (2) = (3)	Average burden hours & average cost <sup>3</sup> per response (\$) (4)	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (\$) (3) × (4) = (5)	Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1) = (6)
22	2	44	2 hrs.; \$182	88 hrs.; \$8,008	\$364

*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 estimate 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.

Dated: November 8, 2022.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 5944-024]

**Moretown Hydroelectric LLC; Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions**

Take notice that the following license application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* Subsequent License.
- b. *Project No.:* P-5944-024.
- c. *Date filed:* November 30, 2020.
- d. *Applicant:* Moretown Hydroelectric LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Moretown No. 8 Hydroelectric Project (Moretown Project).
- f. *Location:* The existing hydroelectric project is located on the Mad River in Washington County, Vermont. The project does not occupy any federal land.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r)
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Arion Thiboumery, Moretown Hydroelectric,

LLC, 1273 Fowler Rd., Plainfield, VT 05667; (415) 260-6890 or email at [arion@ar-ion.net](mailto:arion@ar-ion.net).

i. *FERC Contact:* Maryam Zavareh, (202) 502-8474, [maryam.zavareh@ferc.gov](mailto:maryam.zavareh@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERC.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 717-717w.

<sup>2</sup> Burden is defined 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.

<sup>3</sup> FERC staff estimates that industry costs for salary plus benefits are similar to Commission

costs. The cost figure is the FY2022 FERC average annual salary plus benefits (\$188,992/year or \$91/hour).