

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management and Budget, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 15, 2009.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management and Budget, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: October 9, 2009.

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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: New.

Title: Evaluation of the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit; Individuals or household; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 201.

Burden Hours: 278.

Abstract: The Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults (HKNC) provides services designed to equip clients to live independently in their communities and/or to enhance their ability to secure meaningful employment. The HKNC evaluation will provide RSA with independent and objective information by which to draw conclusions about the effectiveness, including cost effectiveness, of the Center. The evaluation will identify characteristics of the populations served by HKNC and the extent to which HKNC effectively serves clients with different needs. The evaluation will also examine the relationship between HKNC and vocational rehabilitation (VR) agencies and how well HKNC meets the needs of the agencies. Finally, this evaluation will include recommendations to improve HKNC programs and service delivery, including measures that could be used to assess ongoing performance of the Center, its regional staff and functions, and its national training program.

The evaluation scope of work is identified in the following objectives:

- Provide RSA with reliable and valid information on program effectiveness, including cost effectiveness.

- Identify both the characteristics of the populations served by HKNC and the strengths and weaknesses of the program that have an impact on its effectiveness in serving these populations.

- Examine the relationship between HKNC and VR agencies and the effectiveness of direct services, technical assistance, and training activities provided by the Center's headquarters and regional programs in meeting the needs of VR agencies.

- Make recommendations for program adjustments or improvements based on study findings, including measures that could be implemented to assess ongoing performance.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4157. When you access the

information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Election Administration and Voting Survey Data Policy

AGENCY: U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment on Proposed Election Administration and Voting Survey Data Policy.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) seeks public comment on the Proposed Election Administration and Voting Survey Data policy. The policy provides additional direction to election officials responsible for completing EAC's Election Administration and Voting Survey information about the processes and procedures that will guide their submission, review, and correction of the survey data. The EAC issues the survey to meet its obligations under the Help America Vote Act to serve as national clearinghouse and resource for the compilation of information with respect to the administration of Federal elections; to fulfill its data collection requirements under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA); and meet its National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) mandate to collect information from states concerning the impact of that statute on the administration of Federal Elections.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before 4 p.m. EDT on November 16, 2009.

Comments: Public comments are invited on: (a) Whether the policy is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have

practical utility; (b) the information contained in the data policy.

Comments on the proposed policy should be submitted electronically to HAVAinfo@eac.gov. Written comments on the proposed policy can also be sent to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, ATTN: Election Administration and Voting Survey Data Policy.

Obtaining a Copy of the Policy: To obtain a free copy of the policy: (1) Access the EAC Web site at <http://www.eac.gov>; (2) write to the EAC (including your address and phone number) at U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, ATTN: Election Administration and Voting Survey Data Policy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Karen Lynn-Dyson or Ms. Shelly Anderson at (202) 566-3100.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. IC10-60-000, IC10-61-000, and IC10-555A-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC Form 60, FERC-61, and FERC-555A); Comment Request; Extensions

October 8, 2009.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collections and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collections described below.

DATES: Comments in consideration of the collections of information are due December 15, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be filed either electronically or in paper format, and should refer to Docket Nos. IC10-60-000, IC10-61-000, and IC10-555A-000. (If comments apply to only one or two of the collections, indicate the corresponding docket numbers.)

Documents must be prepared in an acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission submission guidelines at <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>.

Comments may be filed electronically via the eFiling link on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>. First time users will have to establish a user name and password (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eregistration.asp>) before eFiling. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments through eFiling.

Commenters filing electronically should not make a paper filing. Commenters that are not able to file electronically must send an original and 14 copies of their comments to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

All comments and FERC issuances may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely through FERC's Web site using the "eLibrary" link and searching on Docket Nos. IC10-60-000, IC10-61-000, and IC10-555A-000. For user assistance, contact FERC Online Support (e-mail at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or call toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Ellen Brown may be reached by telephone at (202) 502-8663, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at ellen.brown@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB Control Number 1902-0215 currently includes three information collections:

- FERC Form 60, "Annual Report of Centralized Service Companies",¹ pursuant to 18 CFR 369.1 and 366.23, with details at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eforms/form-60/form-60.pdf>,
- FERC-61 ("Narrative Description Of Service Company Functions"), pursuant to 18 CFR 366.23, and
- FERC-555A ("Preservation of Records of Holding Companies and Service Companies Subject to PUHCA" [Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005]), record retention requirements,

¹ This Notice in Docket No. IC10-60 is a separate proceeding from the recent Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) that FERC issued on September 17, 2009, in Docket No. RM09-21-000 ("Revised Filing Requirements for Centralized Service Companies Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005, the Federal Power Act, and the Natural Gas Act"). The NOPR in Docket No. RM09-21-000 proposes some clarifications related to the FERC Form 60. Docket No. RM09-21 is not a subject of this Notice in Docket No. IC10-60. Comments on Docket No. RM09-21-000 should be submitted in Docket No. RM09-21-000, and not in Docket No. IC10-60.

pursuant to 18 CFR 366.22, and Parts 367 and 368.

On August 8, 2005, the Energy Policy Act of 2005 was signed into law, repealing the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 (PUHCA 1935) and enacting the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005 (PUHCA 2005). Section 1264 (federal books and records access provision) and Section 1275 (non-power goods and services provision) of PUHCA 2005 supplemented FERC's existing ratemaking authority under the Federal Power Act (FPA) to protect customers against improper cross-subsidization or encumbrances of public utility assets, and similarly, FERC's ratemaking authority under the Natural Gas Act (NGA). These provisions of PUHCA 2005 supplemented the FERC's broad authority under FPA Section 301 and NGA Section 8 to obtain the books and records of regulated companies and any person that controls or is controlled by such companies if relevant to jurisdictional activities.

FERC Form 60. Form No. 60 is an annual reporting requirement under 18 CFR 366.23 for centralized service companies. The report is designed to collect financial information (including balance sheet, assets, liabilities, billing and charges for associated and non-associated companies) from centralized service companies subject to the jurisdiction of the FERC. Unless the holding company system is exempted or granted a waiver by Commission rule or order pursuant to 18 CFR 366.3 and 366.4, every centralized service company in a holding company system must prepare and file electronically with the FERC the Form No. 60, pursuant to the General Instructions in the form.

FERC-61. FERC-61 is a filing requirement for service companies in holding company systems (including special purpose companies) that are currently exempt or granted a waiver of FERC's regulations and would not have to file FERC Form 60. Instead, those service companies are required to file, on an annual basis, a narrative description of the service company's functions during the prior calendar year (FERC-61). In complying, a holding company may make a single filing on behalf of all of its service company subsidiaries.

FERC-555A. FERC prescribed a mandated preservation of records requirement for holding companies and service companies (unless otherwise exempted by FERC). This requires them to maintain and make available to FERC their books and records. The preservation of records requirement