

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

## § 33.11

publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER in accordance with the specifications in §385.203(d) of this chapter. The form of notice shall be on electronic media as specified by the Secretary.

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### § 33.7 Verification.

The original application must be signed by a person or persons having authority with respect thereto and having knowledge of the matters therein set forth, and must be verified under oath.

### § 33.8 Number of copies.

An original and eight copies of the application under this part must be submitted. If the applicant submits a public and a non-public version (containing information filed under a request for privileged treatment), the original and at least three of the eight copies must be of the non-public version of the filing, pursuant to §388.112(b)(ii). If the applicant must submit information specified in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of §33.3 or paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) of §33.4, the applicant must submit all such information in electronic format (*e.g.*, on computer diskette or on CD) along with a printed description and summary. The electronic version must be submitted in accordance with §385.2011 of the Commission's regulations. The printed portion of the applicant's submission must include documentation for the electronic submission, including all file names and a summary of the data contained in each file. Each column (or data item) in each separate data table or chart must be clearly labeled in accordance with the requirements of §33.3 and §33.4. Any units of measurement associated with numeric entries must also be included.

### § 33.9 Protective order.

If the applicant seeks to protect any portion of the application, or any attachment thereto, from public disclosure pursuant to §388.112 of this chapter, the applicant must include with its request for privileged treatment a proposed protective order under which the parties to the proceeding will be able to review any of the data, information,

analysis or other documentation relied upon by the applicant for which privileged treatment is sought.

### § 33.10 Additional information.

The Director of the Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, or his designee, may, by letter, require the applicant to submit additional information as is needed for analysis of an application filed under this part.

### § 33.11 Commission procedures for the consideration of applications under section 203 of the FPA.

(a) The Commission will act on a completed application for approval of a transaction (*i.e.*, one that is consistent with the requirements of this part) not later than 180 days after the completed application is filed. If the Commission does not act within 180 days, such application shall be deemed granted unless the Commission finds, based on good cause, that further consideration is required to determine whether the proposed transaction meets the standards of section 203(a)(4) of the FPA and issues, by the 180th day, an order tolling the time for acting on the application for not more than 180 days, at the end of which additional period the Commission shall grant or deny the application.

(b) The Commission will provide for the expeditious consideration of completed applications for the approval of transactions that are not contested, do not involve mergers, and are consistent with Commission precedent.

(c) Transactions, provided that they are not contested, do not involve mergers and are consistent with Commission precedent, that will generally be subject to expedited review include:

(1) A disposition of only transmission facilities, including, but not limited to, those that both before and after the transaction remain under the functional control of a Commission-approved regional transmission organization or independent system operator; and

(2) Transactions that do not require an Appendix A analysis;<sup>1</sup> and

<sup>1</sup>*Inquiry Concerning the Commission's Merger Policy Under the Federal Power Act; Policy*  
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(3) Internal corporate reorganizations that result in the reorganization of a traditional public utility that has captive customers or owns or provides transmission service over jurisdictional transmission facilities, but do not present cross-subsidization issues.

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### PART 34—APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES OR THE ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITIES

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SOURCE: Order 182, 46 FR 50514, Oct. 14, 1981, unless otherwise noted.

CROSS REFERENCES: For rules of practice and procedure, see part 385 of this chapter. For Approved Forms, Federal Power Act, see part 131 of this chapter.

OMB REFERENCE: "FERC Filing No. 523" is the identification number used by the Commission and the Office of Management and Budget to reference the filing requirements in part 34.

#### §34.1 Applicability; definitions; exemptions in case of certain State regulation, certain short-term issuances and certain qualifying facilities.

(a) *Applicability.* This part applies to applications for authorization from the Commission to issue securities or assume an obligation or liability which are filed by:

*Statement*, Order No. 592, 61 FR 68,595 (Dec. 30, 1996), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶31,044 (1996), *re-consideration denied*, Order No. 592-A, 62 FR 33,340 (June 19, 1997), 79 FERC ¶61,321 (1997) (Merger Policy Statement).

(1) Licensees and other entities pursuant to sections 19 and 20 of the Federal Power Act (41 Stat. 1073, 16 U.S.C. 812, 813) and part 20 of the Commission's regulations; and

(2) Public utilities pursuant to section 204 of the Federal Power Act (49 Stat. 850, 16 U.S.C. 824c).

(b) *Definitions.* For the purpose of this part:

(1) The term *utility* means a licensee, public utility or other entity seeking authorization under sections 19, 20 or 204 of the Federal Power Act;

(2) The term *securities* includes any note, stock, treasury stock, bond, or debenture or other evidence of interest in or indebtedness of a utility;

(3) The term *issuance or placement of securities* means issuance or placement of securities, or assumption of obligation or liability; and

(4) The term *State* means a State admitted to the Union, the District of Columbia, and any organized Territory of the United States.

(c) *Exemptions.* (1) If an agency of the State in which the utility is organized and operating approves or authorizes, in writing, the issuance of securities prior to their issuance, the utility is exempt from the provisions of sections 19, 20 and 204 of the Federal Power Act and the regulations under this part, with respect to such securities.

(2) This part does not apply to the issue or renewal of, or assumption of liability on, a note or draft maturing one year or less after the date of such issue, renewal, or assumption of liability, if the aggregate of such note or draft and all other then-outstanding notes and drafts of a maturity of one year or less on which the utility is primarily or secondarily liable, is not more than 5 percent of the par value of the other then-outstanding securities of the utility as of the date of issue or renewal of, or assumption of liability on, the note or draft. In the case of securities having no par value, the par value for the purpose of this part is the fair market value, as of the date of issue or renewal of, or assumption of liability on, the note or draft.

(3) *For certain qualifying facilities.* Any cogeneration or small power production facility which is exempt from sections 19, 20 and 204 of the Federal