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Title of Collection: Impact Evaluation of Departmentalized Instruction in Elementary Schools.

OMB Control Number: 1850-NEW.

Type of Review: A new information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 2,844.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 1,091.

Abstract: This package requests clearance for data collection activities to support an evaluation of departmentalized instruction in elementary schools. This evaluation is authorized by Title VII Section 8601 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended most recently in 2015 by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). ESSA gives states considerable flexibility in designing systems to hold their schools accountable for improving student achievement. This flexibility extends to the types of strategies that states encourage or require their low-performing schools to adopt. However, many strategies in use have little to no evidence of effectiveness. More research is needed to help states identify strategies that are likely to help their low-performing schools improve.

One potential strategy that has recently become more popular in upper elementary school grades is to departmentalize instruction, where each teacher specializes in teaching one subject to multiple classes of students instead of teaching all subjects to a single class of students (self-contained instruction). However, virtually no evidence exists on its effectiveness relative to the more traditional self-contained approach. This evaluation will help to fill the gap by examining whether departmentalizing fourth and fifth grade teachers improves teacher and student outcomes. The evaluation will focus on math and reading, with an emphasis on low-performing schools that serve a high percentage of disadvantaged students.

The evaluation will include implementation and impact analyses. The implementation analysis will describe schools' approaches to departmentalization and benefits and challenges encountered. The analysis will be based on information from schools' study agreement form; meetings to design each school's approach to departmentalization; monitoring and support calls with schools; a principal interview; and a teacher survey. The impact analysis will draw on data from

a teacher survey, videos of classroom instruction, a principal interview, and district administrative records to estimate the impact of departmentalized instruction on various outcomes. The outcomes include the quality of instruction and student-teacher relationships, teacher satisfaction and retention, and student achievement and behavior. These various data collection activities will be carried out between spring 2018 and fall 2020, although most of the activities with the exception of the administrative data will take place only once during the first year treatment schools implement departmentalized instruction (2018–2019 school year).

Dated: January 3, 2018.

Stephanie Valentine,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC18–43–000.

Applicants: South Central MCN LLC.

Description: Application of South Central MCN LLC for Authorization under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, et al.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5213.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: EC18–44–000.

Applicants: Otter Tail Power Company.

Description: Request For Approvals Pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act of Otter Tail Power Company.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5234.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

Docket Numbers: EG18–26–000.

Applicants: Lincoln Clean Energy, LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status (Tahoka Wind, LLC).

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5278.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER10–3199–004.

Applicants: MDU Resources Inc.

Description: Updated Market Analysis in the Central Region of MDU Resources Inc.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5282.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/27/18.

Docket Numbers: ER15–1596–005; ER15–1599–005; ER14–1569–006; ER10–2616–012; ER11–4398–007; ER11–4400–009; ER15–1958–004; ER10–3247–012; ER14–922–005; ER14–883–007; ER14–924–005; ER15–2535–002.

Applicants: Dynegy Commercial Asset Management, LLC, Dynegy Energy Services (East), LLC, Dynegy Energy Services, LLC, Dynegy Marketing and Trade, LLC, Dynegy Midwest Generation, LLC, Dynegy Power Marketing, LLC, Dynegy Resources Management, LLC, Electric Energy, Inc., Illinois Power Generating Company, Illinois Power Marketing Company, Illinois Power Resources Generating, LLC, Midwest Electric Power, Inc.

Description: Updated Market Power Analysis of the Dynegy Central MBR Sellers.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5225.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/27/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18–573–000.
Applicants: Montpelier Generating Station, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5204.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18–574–000.
Applicants: Monument Generating Station, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5205.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18–575–000.
Applicants: O.H. Hutchings CT, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5206.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18–576–000.
Applicants: Sidney, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.
Accession Number: 20171229–5207.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–577–000.
Applicants: Tait Electric Generating Station, LLC.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.
Filed Date: 12/29/17.
Accession Number: 20171229–5208.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–578–000.
Applicants: Yankee Street, LLC.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.
Filed Date: 12/29/17.
Accession Number: 20171229–5209.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–579–000.
Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Revisions to OATT Sch 12-Appdx and Appdx A re: 2018 RTEP Annual Cost Allocations to be effective 1/1/2018.
Filed Date: 12/29/17.
Accession Number: 20171229–5210.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–580–000.
Applicants: PE Berkeley, Inc.
Description: Tariff Cancellation: PE Berkeley Notice of Cancellation to be effective 1/2/2018.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5000.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–581–000.
Applicants: Public Service Company of New Mexico.
Description: Initial rate filing: 62 MW TSA No. 493 between PNM and Avangrid Renewables to be effective 12/18/2017.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5223.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–582–000.
Applicants: Public Service Company of New Mexico.
Description: Initial rate filing: 100 MW TSA No. 494 between PNM and Avangrid Renewables to be effective 12/18/2017.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5224.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–583–000.
Applicants: Public Service Company of New Mexico.
Description: Initial rate filing: 100 MW TSA No. 495 between PNM and Avangrid Renewables to be effective 12/18/2017.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5225.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–584–000.
Applicants: Public Service Company of New Mexico.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 100 MW First Revised TSA No. 494 between PNM and Avangrid Renewables to be effective 12/20/2017.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5226.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–585–000.
Applicants: Public Service Company of New Mexico.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: 100 MW First Revised TSA No. 495 between PNM and Avangrid Renewables to be effective 12/20/2017.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5227.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–586–000.
Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Queue Position AC2–137, Original Service Agreement No. 4880 to be effective 12/1/2017.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5228.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Docket Numbers: ER18–587–000.
Applicants: Tucson Electric Power Company.
Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Generator Interconnection Agreement to be effective 3/5/2018.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5323.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
Take notice that the Commission received the following electric securities filings:
Docket Numbers: ES18–18–000.
Applicants: Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC.
Description: Application of Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC under Section 204 of the Federal Power Act.
Filed Date: 1/2/18.
Accession Number: 20180102–5106.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/23/18.
The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.
Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: January 2, 2018.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Docket Numbers: RP18–295–000.

Applicants: Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP.

Description: Compliance filing Compliance Tariff Filing re CP15–517–000 (Coastal Bend) to be effective 2/1/2018.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5021.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/10/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18–296–000.

Applicants: Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP.

Description: Compliance filing Compliance Negotiated Rate Agmt Tariff Filing re CP15–517–000 (Coastal Bend) to be effective 2/1/2018.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5025.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/10/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18–297–000.

Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 122917 154.204 Tariff Filing to be effective 3/1/2018.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5039.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/10/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18–298–000.

Applicants: Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: CCRM 2018 to be effective 2/1/2018.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229–5143.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/10/18.

Docket Numbers: RP18–298–000.

Applicants: Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: CCRM 2018 to be effective 2/1/2018.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.