



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RM19-15-002 and AD16-16-002]

Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for Qualifying Facility Rates and Requirements Implementation Issues under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, Order No. 872

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) have prepared an environmental assessment (EA) of the revisions to its regulations adopted in Order No. 872.

The Notice of Availability of the EA and the EA is only available in electronic format. It may be viewed and downloaded from FERC's website (www.ferc.gov), on the Qualifying Facilities page (<https://www.ferc.gov/qf>). In addition, the EA may be accessed by using the eLibrary link on FERC's website. Click on the eLibrary link (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>), select "General Search" and enter the docket number in the "Docket Number" field, excluding the last three digits (i.e., RM19-15). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

The EA is not a decision document. It presents Commission staff's independent analysis of the environmental issues for the Commission to consider when addressing the merits of all issues in this proceeding. Any person wishing to comment on the EA may

do so. Your comments should focus on the EA's disclosure and discussion of potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before 5:00 pm Eastern Time on October 16, 2025.

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- (2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to FERC Online. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing"; or

- (3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the Commission. Be sure to reference the project docket numbers (RM19-15-002 and AD-16-16-002) on your letter. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

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Dated: September 16, 2025.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Secretary.

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