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The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed 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 Commission's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology

e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[FERC-546]

Information Collection Submitted for Review and Request for Comments

August 5, 1997.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of submission for review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is submitting a collection of information listed in this notice to OMB for review under the provisions of the Act.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection of information are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael P. Miller, Information Services Division, ED-12.4, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments should also be addressed to: Desk Officer, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of

Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael P. Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Abstract: The information collected under the requirements of FERC Form No. 546 "Certificated Rate Filings: Gas Pipeline Rates" (OMB No. 1902-0155) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Title IV of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA), 15 U.S.C. 3301-3432, Pub. L. 95-621 and Sections 4, 5, and 16, of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. 717-717o, Pub. L. 75-688). These statutory provisions require natural gas pipeline companies to obtain Commission authorization for all rates and charges made, demanded, or in connection with the transportation or sale of natural gas in interstate commerce. The Commission is authorized to investigate the rates charged by natural gas pipeline companies subject to its investigation. The data filed in certificated rate filings are used to implement new or revised service proposals for the transportation or sale of natural gas and for compliance with subsequent Commission orders. The distinction between FERC-546 and other rate/tariff data collections is that data collected under FERC-546 involved initial service and tariff revisions due to changes in service rather than changes in existing rates. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR 154.202-.206; 154.312; 154.601-.603.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (hours) (3)	Total annual burden hours (1) × (2) × (3)
100	4	400	16,000

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 16,000 hours / 2,087 hours per year × \$110,000 per year = \$843,700. The cost per respondent is equal to \$8,437.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information

including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable

instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

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Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Amendment Of License

August 4, 1997.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Amendment of License.

b. *Project No.:* 2307-043.

c. *Date Filed:* June 9, 1997.

d. *Applicant:* Alaska Electric Light & Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Annex Creek and Salmon Creek.

f. *Location:* On Annex and Salmon Creeks, in the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Corry V. Hildenbrand, Alaska Electric Light & Power Company, 5601 Tonsgard Court, Juneau, AK 99801, (907) 780-2222.

i. *FERC Contact:* Regina Saizan, (202) 219-2673.

j. *Comment Date:* September 22, 1997.

k. *Description of the Request:* The licensee proposes to decommission the Upper Salmon Creek powerplant because it is no longer economical to operate. The proposed license amendments include: (1) Decommissioning the two turbine/generators in the upper Salmon Creek powerplant; (2) removal of two miles of transmission line from the upper powerplant to the old lower switchyard and modify the project boundary to reflect the removal of the transmission line; (3) removal of the transformers in the upper powerplant that are oil-filled, to eliminate any future contamination potential; and (4) change the point of release of water to meet minimum flow requirements from the upper powerplant to the base of the Salmon Creek Dam (no change to the minimum release is proposed).

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C2, and D2.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

C2. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS,"

"RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMPETING APPLICATION," "PROTEST," or "MOTION TO INTERVENE," as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of a notice of intent, competing application, or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-674-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

August 4, 1997.

Take notice that on July 29, 1997, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), 500 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan 48243, filed in Docket No. CP97-674-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212,) for approval to construct and operate an interconnection between ANR and Ohio Gas Company (Ohio Gas) for delivery of natural gas to Ohio Gas in Defiance County, Ohio, under ANR's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-480-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

ANR states that the proposed interconnection will consist of a two-inch hot tap, a two-inch positive displacement meter, an electronic measurement system, and approximately 150 feet of two-inch piping. ANR indicates that the total cost of the facilities is \$99,500, which will be fully reimbursed by Ohio Gas. It is further indicated that Ohio Gas will use deliveries of natural gas under existing Part 284 transportation service agreements with ANR to serve residential and commercial customers.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days of the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214), a motion to intervene and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the