

analysis is required, and none has been prepared.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor is subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information, subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (PRA), unless that collection of information displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number. This regulation involves collections previously approved by OMB under the following control numbers: 0694–0088, 0694–0122, 0694–0134, and 0694–0137.

This rule slightly decreases public burden in a collection of information approved by OMB under control number 0694–0088, which authorizes, among other things, export license applications. The restoration of license exceptions for listed persons on the Unverified List will result in decreased license applications being submitted to BIS by exporters. Total burden hours associated with the Paperwork Reduction Act and OMB control number 0694–0088 are expected to decrease minimally, as the restoration of license exceptions will only affect transactions involving persons removed from the Unverified List and not all export transactions. Because license exception eligibility is restored for these entities removed from the UVL, this rule increases public burden in a collection of information approved by OMB under control number 0694–0137 minimally, as this will only affect specific individual listed persons. The decreased burden under 0694–0088 is reciprocal to the increased burden under 0694–0137, and results in no change of burden to

the public. This rule also decreases public burden in a collection of information under OMB control number 0694–0122, as a result of the exchange of UVL statements between private parties, and under OMB control number 0694–0134, as a result of appeals from persons listed on the UVL for removal of their listing. The total decrease in burden hours associated with both of these collections is expected to be minimal, as they involve a limited number of persons listed on the UVL.

Any comments regarding these collections of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, may be sent to OMB Desk Officer, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; and to Jasmeet K. Seehra, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), by email to Jasmeet.K.Seehra@omb.eop.gov, or by fax to (202) 395–7285.

4. This rule does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

List of Subjects in 15 CFR Part 744

Exports, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Terrorism.

Accordingly, part 744 of the Export Administration Regulations (15 CFR parts 730 through 774) is amended as follows:

PART 744—[AMENDED]

■ 1. The authority citation for 15 CFR part 744 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: Pub. L. 115–232, Title XVII, Subtitle B, 132 Stat. 2208 (to be codified at 50 U.S.C. 4801 *et seq.*); 50 U.S.C. 4601 *et seq.*; 50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 3201 *et seq.*; 42 U.S.C. 2139a; 22 U.S.C. 7201 *et*

seq.; 22 U.S.C. 7210; E.O. 12058, 43 FR 20947, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 179; E.O. 12851, 58 FR 33181, 3 CFR, 1993 Comp., p. 608; E.O. 12938, 59 FR 59099, 3 CFR, 1994 Comp., p. 950; E.O. 12947, 60 FR 5079, 3 CFR, 1995 Comp., p. 356; E.O. 13026, 61 FR 58767, 3 CFR, 1996 Comp., p. 228; E.O. 13099, 63 FR 45167, 3 CFR, 1998 Comp., p. 208; E.O. 13222, 66 FR 44025, 3 CFR, 2001 Comp., p. 783; E.O. 13224, 66 FR 49079, 3 CFR, 2001 Comp., p. 786; Notice of August 8, 2018, 83 FR 39871 (August 13, 2018); Notice of September 19, 2018, 83 FR 47799 (September 20, 2018); Notice of November 8, 2018, 83 FR 56253 (November 9, 2019); Notice of January 16, 2019, 84 FR 127 (January 18, 2019).

■ 2. Supplement No. 6 to Part 744 is amended by:

- a. Removing the entry for “Beijing Bayi Space LCD Materials Technology Co., Ltd.” under “China”;
- b. Revising the entry for “Beijing Institute of Nanoenergy and Technology” under “China”;
- c. Removing the entry for “Hubei Flying Optical” under “China”;
- d. Removing the entry for “Sunder Tools (Changxing) Technology” under “China”;
- e. Removing the entry for “Wuhan Yifi Laser Equipment Co.” under “China”;
- f. Removing the entry for “Wuxi Hengling Technology Co. Ltd.” under “China”;
- g. Removing the entry for “Xiamen Sanan Optoelectronics” under “China”;
- h. Removing the entry for “Zhejiang Xizi Aviation” under “China”; and
- i. Removing the entry for “Zolix Instruments Co.” under “China”.

The revision reads as follows:

Supplement No. 6 to Part 744—Unverified List

Country	Listed person and address	Federal Register citation and date of publication
*	*	*
CHINA	Beijing Institute of Nanoenergy and Nanosystems, 30 Xue YuanLu HaiDianQu, Beijing, China 100083.	84 FR 14610, 04/11/19. 84 FR [INSERT Federal Register PAGE NUMBER], 06/27/19.
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Dated: June 21, 2019.

Richard E. Ashooh,
Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 803

Premerger Notification; Reporting and Waiting Period Requirements

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.
ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Federal Trade Commission (“Commission” or “FTC”) is amending the Hart-Scott-Rodino (“HSR”) Premerger Notification Rules

(“Rules”) that require the parties to certain mergers and acquisitions to file reports with the FTC and the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice (“the Assistant Attorney General” or “DOJ”) (together the “Antitrust Agencies” or “Agencies”) and to wait a specified period of time before consummating such transactions. The Commission is amending the Antitrust Improvements Act Notification and Report Form (“HSR

Form”) and Instructions to require use of 10-digit codes based upon the North American Product Classification System in place of the 10-digit codes based upon the North American Industry Classification System.

DATES: The amendments are effective September 25, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert Jones, Assistant Director, Premerger Notification Office, Bureau of Competition, Room 5301, Federal Trade Commission, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20024. Telephone (202) 326-3100, Email: rjones@ftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

Section 7A of the Clayton Act (the “Act”) requires the parties to certain mergers or acquisitions to file with the Commission and DOJ and wait a specified period before consummating the proposed transaction to allow the Agencies to conduct their initial review of a proposed transaction’s competitive impact. The reporting requirement and the waiting period that it triggers are intended to enable the Antitrust Agencies to determine whether a proposed merger or acquisition may violate the antitrust laws if consummated and, when appropriate, to seek a preliminary injunction in federal court to prevent consummation.

Section 7A(d)(1) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a(d)(1), directs the Commission, with the concurrence of the Assistant Attorney General, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 553, to require that premerger notification be in such form and contain such information and documentary material as may be necessary and appropriate to determine whether the proposed transaction may, if consummated, violate the antitrust laws. Section 7A(d)(2) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a(d)(2), grants the Commission, with the concurrence of the Assistant Attorney General, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553, the authority to define the terms used in the Act and prescribe such other rules as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the purposes of section 7A of the Act.

Pursuant to that authority, the Commission, with the concurrence of the Assistant Attorney General, developed the Rules, codified in 16 CFR parts 801, 802 and 803, and the HSR Form and its associated Instructions, codified in the appendices to part 803, to govern the form of premerger notification to be provided by merging parties.

The Commission is amending the HSR Form and Instructions to require

use of 10-digit codes based upon the North American Product Classification System (“NAPCS”) in place of the 10-digit codes based upon the North American Industry Classification System (“NAICS”).

Background

Item 5 of the HSR Form requires filing persons to submit information regarding dollar revenues and lines of commerce with respect to operations conducted within the United States during a company’s most recently completed year using NAICS and NAICS-based codes. All filing persons submit non-manufacturing revenue at the 6-digit NAICS industry code level. While the official NAICS classification system only provided for six-digit codes, the United States Census Bureau (“Census”) developed a 10-digit NAICS-based product classification code for manufactured and mineral products. Filing persons must also report manufacturing revenues (NAICS sectors 31–33) by these 10-digit codes in Item 5 of the HSR Form. These 10-digit codes were updated in conjunction with the data collection for the 2002, 2007, and 2012 Economic Censuses.

In 2017, Census updated the 6-digit NAICS codes, but discontinued its use and update of the 10-digit NAICS-based codes. Census, instead, adopted 10-digit codes based upon the North American Product Classification System to report products, including manufactured products. The NAPCS is a comprehensive, market- or demand-based, hierarchical classification system for products (goods and services).¹ Census used these 10-digit NAPCS codes, along with the 6-digit NAICS codes in the 2017 Economic Census, which it commenced in May 2018. In addition, Census has published concordance tables that link 2012 NAICS product codes to 2017 NAPCS collection codes.² Now that the deadline for response to the 2017 Economic Census has passed and Census has

¹ See United States Census Bureau, Economic Census, Concordance of 2012 Product Codes to 2017 NAPCS-Based Codes, <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/economic-census/guidance/understanding-napcs.html>; United States Census Bureau, North American Product Classification System, <https://www.census.gov/eos/www/napcs/index.html>.

² United States Census Bureau, 2017 NAPCS-Based Collection Code to 2012 Product Code: https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/economic-census/technical-documentation/napcs/2017_napcs_based_collection_code_to_2012_product_code.xlsx; United States Census Bureau, 2012 Product Code to 2017 NAPCS-Based Collection Code: https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/economic-census/technical-documentation/napcs/2012_product_code_to_2017_napcs_based_collection_code.xlsx.

published its concordance tables, the Commission has determined that it is appropriate to adopt the use of 10-digit NAPCS codes for reporting manufacturing revenues in the HSR Form.

Incorporating the 10-digit NAPCS codes into the HSR Form and the Instructions will ensure that filing persons provide revenues in a format that can be compared to the most recent and complete economic data published by Census. The amended HSR Form and Instructions will continue to require the use of 6-digit NAICS industry codes for non-manufacturing revenues. For manufacturing revenues, filing persons will be required to report revenue in both the 6-digit NAICS industry code, as well as the 10-digit NAPCS product code. The reporting of overlaps in Item 6 and Item 7 has been based upon 6-digit NAICS codes and will not change.

Revisions to the HSR Form and Instructions

The Commission is amending the HSR Form and Instructions to require the reporting of manufacturing revenue by both the applicable 6-digit NAICS code and 10-digit NAPCS code. The changes are as follows:

A. HSR Form Item 5

The Commission has deleted the following language: “5(a) DOLLAR REVENUES BY NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY CODE AND BY MANUFACTURED PRODUCT CODE” and replaced it with “5(a) DOLLAR REVENUES BY NAICS INDUSTRY CODE AND BY NAPCS-BASED PRODUCT CODE.” The Commission has also deleted the following language: “6-DIGIT INDUSTRY CODE AND/OR 10-DIGIT PRODUCT CODE” and replaced it with “6-DIGIT NAICS INDUSTRY CODE AND/OR 10-DIGIT NAPCS-BASED PRODUCT CODE.”

Previously, manufactured product revenue (NAICS Sectors 31–33) only needed to be reported at the 10-digit NAICS-based code level, since the relevant 6-digit NAICS code constituted the first 6 digits of the 10-digit code. However, because the 10-digit NAPCS-based codes do not include the 6-digit NAICS code, manufactured product revenue must now be reported by both NAICS and NAPCS codes. For example, assume that a filing person determined that its Item 5 revenues should be reported as follows using NAICS codes:

3111111131 Canned dog food—\$50 million

3111111411 Dry and semi-moist dog food—\$45 million

3111114411 Canned cat food—\$35 million
 3111114511 Dry and semi-moist cat food—\$25 million

That filing person would now report the following in Item 5 using NAICS and NAPCS codes:

311111 Dog and Cat Food Manufacturing—\$155 million
 2009750000 Canned dog food \$50—million
 2009775000 Dry and semi-moist dog food—\$45 million
 2009800000 Canned cat food—\$35 million
 2009825000 Dry and semi-moist cat food—\$25 million

The reporting requirements for revenue derived from non-manufacturing operations remain the same.

B. HSR Form Revised Date

The HSR Form's "Revised Date" on the bottom of each page has been updated from "(rev. 01/02/17)" to "(rev. 06/07/19)" to reflect the ministerial revisions described in this document.

C. Revisions to the Instructions to the Form

The Commission is amending the Instructions to the Form as follows.

- Page II of the Instructions adds references to the use of the North American Product Classification System and updates references to the North American Industry Classification System to reflect the release of 2017 codes.

- Page II of the Instructions also deletes the paragraph that instructed filing parties to continue to use 2012 NAICS codes while Census completed its transition to NAPCS.

- The section for Item 5 on Page VII instructs filers that derive revenue from manufacturing operations to use 10-digit NAPCS codes, rather than 10-digit NAICS codes, to report this revenue.

- The section for Item 5 on Page VII also instructs filing parties that derive revenue from manufacturing operations to report the sum of those revenues in the appropriate 6-digit NAICS code.

- The section for Item 5 on Page VII requires filing parties to check the overlap box for NAICS and NAPCS code overlaps. Filers deriving revenue from manufacturing operations that will report an overlap in Item 7 should check the overlap box for the corresponding 6-

digit NAICS code in Item 5, even if there are no 10-digit NAPCS code overlaps.

- The section for Item 5 on Page VII is further changed to emphasize that acquired persons are to only include total dollar revenues for all entities included within the acquired entity.

Administrative Procedure Act

The Commission finds good cause to adopt these changes without prior public comment. Under the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA"), notice and comment are not required "when the agency for good cause finds (and incorporates the finding and a brief statement of reasons therefore in the rules issued) that notice and public procedure thereon are impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest." 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(B).

In this case, the Commission finds that public comment on these changes is unnecessary. The Commission is amending the HSR Rules to adopt updates developed by the Census for the reporting of manufactured product revenue. These updates do not involve any substantive changes in the HSR Rules' requirements for entities subject to the Rules. Rather, they merely change the numerical codes used to report manufactured product revenue.

In addition, these amendments fall within the category of rules covering agency procedure and practice that are exempt from the notice-and-comment requirements of the APA. See 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(A). These changes merely alter the manner in which entities report manufactured product revenue to the Agencies.

For these reasons, the Commission finds that there is good cause for adopting this final rule as effective on September 25, 2019 without prior public comment.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, requires that the agency conduct an initial and final regulatory analysis of the anticipated economic impact of the proposed amendments on small businesses, except where the agency head certifies that the regulatory action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. 5 U.S.C. 605. Because of the size of the transactions necessary to invoke an HSR filing, the premerger notification rules rarely, if ever, affect small businesses. Indeed,

amendments to the Act in 2001 were intended to reduce the burden of the premerger notification program further by exempting all transactions valued at less than \$50 million (as adjusted annually).³ Likewise, none of the rule amendments expand the coverage of the premerger notification rules in a way that would affect small business. In addition, the Regulatory Flexibility Act requirements apply only to rules or amendments that are subject to the notice-and-comment requirements of the APA. See 5 U.S.C. 603, 604. Because these amendments are exempt from those APA requirements, as noted earlier, they are also exempt from the Regulatory Flexibility Act requirements. In any event, to the extent, if any, that the Regulatory Flexibility Act applies, the Commission certifies that these rules will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This document serves as notice of this certification to the Small Business Administration.

Paperwork Reduction Act

The Commission has existing Paperwork Reduction Act clearance for the HSR Rules (OMB Control Number 3084–0005). The Commission has concluded that these technical amendments do not change the substance or frequency of the pre-existing information collection requirements and, therefore, do not require further OMB clearance.

List of Subjects in 16 CFR Part 803

Antitrust.

By direction of the Commission.

April Tabor,

Acting Secretary.

For the reasons stated above, the Federal Trade Commission amends 16 CFR part 803 as set forth below:

PART 803—TRANSMITTAL RULES

- 1. The authority citation for part 803 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 18a(d).

- 2. Revise appendix A to part 803 to read as follows:

Appendix A to Part 803—Notification and Report Form for Certain Mergers and Acquisitions

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³ By comparison, the dollar thresholds established for total annual receipts of a small

business under the applicable small business size

standards fall well under \$50 million. See 13 CFR 121.201.

16 C.F.R. Part 803 - Appendix A
 NOTIFICATION AND REPORT FORM FOR CERTAIN MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS



FEE INFORMATION (For Payer Only)

TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER _____
 OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FOR NATURAL PERSONS _____

AMOUNT PAID \$ _____

NAME OF PAYER (if different from PERSON FILING) _____

WIRE TRANSFER or CERTIFIED CHECK / MONEY ORDER ATTACHED

WIRE TRANSFER CONFIRMATION NO. _____

FROM (NAME OF INSTITUTION) _____

IS THIS A CORRECTIVE FILING? YES NO

CASH TENDER OFFER? YES NO

BANKRUPTCY? YES NO

DO YOU REQUEST EARLY TERMINATION OF THE WAITING PERIOD? YES NO
 (Grants of early termination are published in the Federal Register and on the FTC web site, www.ftc.gov)

(voluntary) IS THIS ACQUISITION SUBJECT TO NON-US FILING REQUIREMENTS? YES NO
 IF YES, list jurisdictions: _____

ITEM 1
 1(a) PERSON FILING

NAME	HEADQUARTERS ADDRESS
	ADDRESS LINE 2
	CITY, STATE, COUNTRY
	ZIP CODE
	WEB SITE

1(b) PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION IS an acquiring person an acquired person both

1(c) PUT AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX TO DESCRIBE THE PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION

Corporation Unincorporated Entity Natural Person Other (Specify) _____

1(d) DATA FURNISHED BY

calendar year fiscal year (specify period): _____ (month/year) to _____ (month/year)

1(e) PUT AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX BELOW AND GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ENTITY FILING NOTIFICATION, IF DIFFERENT THAN THE ULTIMATE PARENT ENTITY

Not Applicable This report is being filed on behalf of a foreign person pursuant to § 803.4. This report is being filed on behalf of the ultimate parent entity by another entity within the same person authorized by it to file pursuant to § 803.2(a).

NAME
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, COUNTRY
ZIP CODE

1(f) NAME AND ADDRESS OF ENTITY MAKING ACQUISITION OR WHOSE ASSETS, VOTING SECURITIES OR NON-CORPORATE INTERESTS ARE BEING ACQUIRED, IF DIFFERENT FROM THE ULTIMATE PARENT ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN ITEM 1(a)

NAME
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, COUNTRY
ZIP CODE

Not Applicable

PERCENT OF VOTING SECURITIES OR NON-CORPORATE INTERESTS THAT THE UPE HOLDS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN THE ACQUIRING OR ACQUIRED ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN ITEM 1(f)

%

1(g) IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS TO CONTACT REGARDING THIS REPORT

CONTACT PERSON 1
FIRM NAME
BUSINESS ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, COUNTRY
ZIP CODE
TELEPHONE NUMBER
FAX NUMBER
E-MAIL ADDRESS

CONTACT PERSON 2
FIRM NAME
BUSINESS ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, COUNTRY
ZIP CODE
TELEPHONE NUMBER
FAX NUMBER
E-MAIL ADDRESS

1(h) IDENTIFICATION OF AN INDIVIDUAL LOCATED IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF RECEIVING NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR DOCUMENTS (See § 803.20(b)(2)(iii))

NAME
FIRM NAME
BUSINESS ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, COUNTRY
ZIP CODE
TELEPHONE NUMBER
FAX NUMBER
E-MAIL ADDRESS

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION

DATE

ITEM 2

2(a) LIST NAMES OF ULTIMATE PARENT ENTITIES OF ALL ACQUIRING PERSONS

LIST NAMES OF ULTIMATE PARENT ENTITIES OF ALL ACQUIRED PERSONS

NAME	NON-REPORTABLE
	<input type="checkbox"/>

NAME	NON-REPORTABLE
	<input type="checkbox"/>

2(b) THIS ACQUISITION IS (put an "X" in all the boxes that apply)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> an acquisition of assets | <input type="checkbox"/> a consolidation (see § 801.2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a merger (see § 801.2) | <input type="checkbox"/> an acquisition of voting securities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> an acquisition subject to § 801.2 (e) | <input type="checkbox"/> a secondary acquisition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a formation of a joint venture or other corporation or unincorporated entity (see § 801.40 or § 801.50) | <input type="checkbox"/> an acquisition subject to § 801.31 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> an acquisition subject to § 801.30 (specify type) | <input type="checkbox"/> an acquisition of non-corporate interests |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) |

2(c) INDICATE THE HIGHEST NOTIFICATION THRESHOLD IN § 801.1(h) FOR WHICH THIS FORM IS BEING FILED (acquiring person only in an acquisition of voting securities)

- \$50 million (as adjusted)
 \$100 million (as adjusted)
 \$500 million (as adjusted)
 25% (see Instructions) (as adjusted)
 50%
 N/A

2(d)(i) VALUE OF VOTING SECURITIES ALREADY HELD (\$MM)	(v) VALUE OF NON-CORPORATE INTERESTS ALREADY HELD (\$MM)	
\$	\$	
(ii) PERCENTAGE OF VOTING SECURITIES ALREADY HELD	(vi) PERCENTAGE OF NON-CORPORATE INTERESTS ALREADY HELD	
%	%	
(iii) TOTAL VALUE OF VOTING SECURITIES TO BE HELD AS A RESULT OF THE ACQUISITION (\$MM)	(vii) TOTAL VALUE OF NON-CORPORATE INTERESTS TO BE HELD AS A RESULT OF THE ACQUISITION (\$MM)	(ix) VALUE OF ASSETS TO BE HELD AS A RESULT OF THE ACQUISITION (\$MM)
\$	\$	\$
(iv) TOTAL PERCENTAGE OF VOTING SECURITIES TO BE HELD AS A RESULT OF THE ACQUISITION	(viii) TOTAL PERCENTAGE OF NON-CORPORATE INTERESTS TO BE HELD AS A RESULT OF THE ACQUISITION	(x) AGGREGATE TOTAL VALUE (\$MM)
%	%	\$

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION

DATE

ITEM 3

3(a) DESCRIPTION OF ACQUISITION

ACQUIRING UPE(S)

NAME
 ADDRESS
 ADDRESS LINE 2
 CITY, STATE
 ZIP CODE, COUNTRY

ACQUIRED UPE(S)

NAME
 ADDRESS
 ADDRESS LINE 2
 CITY, STATE
 ZIP CODE, COUNTRY

ACQUIRING ENTITY(S)

NAME
 ADDRESS
 ADDRESS LINE 2
 CITY, STATE
 ZIP CODE, COUNTRY

ACQUIRED ENTITY(S)

NAME
 ADDRESS
 ADDRESS LINE 2
 CITY, STATE
 ZIP CODE, COUNTRY

TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION

3(b) SUBMIT A COPY OF THE MOST RECENT VERSION OF THE CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT (or letter of intent to merge or acquire)

(IF SUBMITTING PAPER, DO NOT ATTACH THE DOCUMENT TO THIS PAGE)

ATTACHMENT NUMBER

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION	DATE
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ITEM 4

PERSONS FILING NOTIFICATION MAY PROVIDE BELOW AN OPTIONAL INDEX OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED BY ITEM 4 (See Item by Item instructions). THESE DOCUMENTS SHOULD NOT BE ATTACHED TO THIS PAGE.

4(a) ENTITIES WITHIN THE PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION THAT FILE ANNUAL REPORTS WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION	<input type="checkbox"/> None	CENTRAL INDEX KEY NUMBER

4(b) ANNUAL REPORTS AND ANNUAL AUDIT REPORTS	<input type="checkbox"/> None	ATTACHMENT OR REFERENCE NUMBER

4(c) STUDIES, SURVEYS, ANALYSES, AND REPORTS	<input type="checkbox"/> None	ATTACHMENT OR REFERENCE NUMBER

4(d) ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/> None	ATTACHMENT OR REFERENCE NUMBER

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION

DATE

ITEM 5

5(a) DOLLAR REVENUES BY NAICS INDUSTRY CODE AND BY NAPCS-BASED PRODUCT CODE.

Check None at the bottom of the page and provide explanation if you are not reporting revenue

6-DIGIT NAICS INDUSTRY CODE AND/OR 10-DIGIT NAPCS- BASED PRODUCT CODE.	DESCRIPTION	YEAR	TOTAL DOLLAR REVENUES (\$MM)
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Attachment:

			<input type="checkbox"/> Overlap	
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NONE (PROVIDE EXPLANATION)

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION	DATE
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5(b) COMPLETE ONLY IF ACQUISITION IS IN THE FORMATION OF A JOINT VENTURE CORPORATION OR UNINCORPORATED ENTITY	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
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5(b)(i) CONTRIBUTIONS THAT EACH PERSON FORMING THE JOINT VENTURE CORPORATION OR UNINCORPORATED ENTITY HAS AGREED TO MAKE

Attachment:

5(b)(ii) DESCRIPTION OF CONSIDERATION THAT EACH PERSON FORMING THE JOINT VENTURE CORPORATION OR UNINCORPORATED ENTITY WILL RECEIVE

Attachment:

5(b)(iii) DESCRIPTION OF THE BUSINESS IN WHICH THE JOINT VENTURE CORPORATION OR UNINCORPORATED ENTITY WILL ENGAGE

Attachment:

5(b)(iv) SOURCE OF DOLLAR REVENUES BY 6-DIGIT INDUSTRY CODE (non-manufacturing) AND BY 10-DIGIT PRODUCT CODE (manufactured)

Attachment:

CODE	DESCRIPTION

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION

DATE

ITEM 6**6(a) ENTITIES WITHIN PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION**

Attachment:

NAME	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY

6(b) HOLDERS OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION

Attachment:

ISSUER/ UNINCORPORATED ENTITY	SHAREHOLDER/ INTEREST HOLDER	HQ ADDRESS	% HELD

6(c)(i) HOLDINGS OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION

Attachment:

UPE OF FILING PERSON	ISSUER/ UNINCORPORATED ENTITY	% HELD

6(c)(ii) HOLDINGS OF ASSOCIATES (ACQUIRING PERSON ONLY)

Attachment:

TOP LEVEL ASSOCIATE	ISSUER/ UNINCORPORATED ENTITY	% HELD

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION	DATE
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ITEM 7

OVERLAP DOLLAR REVENUES

7(a) 6-DIGIT NAICS INDUSTRY CODE AND DESCRIPTION

None

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PERSON / ASSOCIATE / BOTH

7(b)(i) LIST THE NAME OF EACH PERSON THAT ALSO DERIVED DOLLAR REVENUES

UPE OF OTHER FILING PERSON	ENTITY THAT OVERLAPS (IF DIFFERENT)

7(b)(ii) LIST THE NAME OF EACH ASSOCIATE OF THE ACQUIRING PERSON THAT ALSO DERIVED DOLLAR REVENUES
(ACQUIRING PERSON ONLY)

TOP LEVEL ASSOCIATE	ENTITY THAT OVERLAPS (IF DIFFERENT)

7(c) GEOGRAPHIC MARKET INFORMATION FOR EACH PERSON THAT ALSO DERIVED DOLLAR REVENUES

CODE	GEOGRAPHIC MARKET INFORMATION

7(d) GEOGRAPHIC MARKET INFORMATION FOR ASSOCIATES OF THE ACQUIRING PERSON
(ACQUIRING PERSON ONLY)

CODE	GEOGRAPHIC MARKET INFORMATION

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION	DATE
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ITEM 8

PRIOR ACQUISITIONS (ACQUIRING PERSON ONLY)

NAICS Code	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:20%; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width:20%;"></td> <td style="width:20%;"></td> <td style="width:20%;"></td> <td style="width:20%;"></td> </tr> </table>						
Acquired Entity							
Former HQ Address							
Acquisition Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Securities <input type="checkbox"/> Assets <input type="checkbox"/> Non Corporate Interests Date of Acquisition:						
Notes							

CERTIFICATION

This **NOTIFICATION AND REPORT FORM**, together with any and all appendices and attachments thereto, was prepared and assembled under my supervision in accordance with instructions issued by the Federal Trade Commission. Subject to the recognition that, where so indicated, reasonable estimates have been made because books and records do not provide the required data, the information is, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete in accordance with the statute and rules.

NAME (Please print or type)	TITLE
SIGNATURE	DATE

Subscribed and sworn to before me at the

City of _____, State of _____
 this _____ day of _____, the year _____

[SEAL]

Signature _____

My Commission expires _____

NAME OF PERSON FILING NOTIFICATION	DATE
16 C.F.R. Part 803 - Appendix A NOTIFICATION AND REPORT FORM FOR CERTAIN MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS	Approved by OMB 3084-0005

Attach the Affidavit required by § 803.5 to the Form.

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and
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503

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■ 3. Revise appendix B to part 803 to read as follows:

Appendix B to Part 803—Instructions to the Notification and Report Form for Certain Mergers and Acquisitions

ANTITRUST IMPROVEMENTS ACT NOTIFICATION AND REPORT FORM for Certain Mergers and Acquisitions

INSTRUCTIONS

OMB: 3084-0005

GENERAL

The Notification and Report Form ("the Form") is required to be submitted pursuant to § 803.1(a) of the premerger notification rules, 16 CFR Parts 801-803 ("the Rules"). These instructions specify the information that must be provided in response to the items on the Form.

Information

The central office for information and assistance concerning the Form and the Rules is:

Premerger Notification Office
 Federal Trade Commission, Room #5301
 400 7th Street, S.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20024
 Phone: (202) 326-3100
 E-mail: HSRhelp@ftc.gov

Copies of the Form, Instructions and Rules as well as information to assist in completing the Form are available at the [PNO website](#).

Definitions

The definitions used in this Form are set forth in the Rules. See [Statute, Rules and Formal Interpretations](#) for copies of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act ("the Act"), the Rules, and the Federal Register Notices issuing the Rules and Rule amendments ("Statements of Basis and Purpose").

The term "documentary attachments" refers only to materials submitted in response to Item 3(b), Item 4 and to submissions pursuant to § 803.1(b) of the Rules.

The terms "person filing" or "filing person" mean the ultimate parent entity ("UPE"). (See § 801.1(a)(3)). The terms are used herein interchangeably.

Filing

Parties should file the completed Form, together with all documentary attachments, with the Premerger Notification Office ("PNO") of the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") and the Premerger Unit of the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice ("DOJ") (together, "the Agencies"). Filers have the option of submitting a [DVD filing](#) or a [paper filing](#). Filings should be submitted to:

Premerger Notification Office
 Federal Trade Commission, Room #5301
 400 7th Street, S.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20024

and

Department of Justice
 Antitrust Division
 Premerger and Division Statistics Unit
 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Suite 1100
 Washington, D.C. 20530

If one or both delivery sites are unavailable, the Agencies may announce alternate sites for delivery through the media and, if possible, at the [PNO website](#).

If submitting a DVD filing

- 1) Provide the FTC with:

TWO (2) DVDs, each containing the Form, affidavit, certification and all documentary attachments, along with the original hard copies of the cover letter, certification and affidavit.

- 2) Provide DOJ with:

TWO (2) DVDs containing the same content as above, along with **THREE** (3) hard copies of the cover letter.

The Form must be a searchable PDF document. All other files must be in searchable PDF or MS Excel spreadsheet format and saved in color, if applicable. This includes the affidavit and certification.

Label each DVD with the name of the person filing, the name of a contact person and that person's phone number. Leave space on the DVD for the Agencies to write the assigned transaction number and date of receipt.

If the DVD or files contain viruses, passwords, or are not readable, the filing will not be accepted and the waiting period will not start.

For further instructions on DVD filing and specific DVD requirements, go to [HSR Resources](#) on the [PNO website](#).

If submitting a paper filing

- 1) Provide the FTC with:

ONE (1) original and **ONE** (1) copy of the Form, certification page and affidavit, along with an original cover letter and **ONE** (1) set of documentary attachments.

- 2) Provide DOJ with:

TWO (2) copies of the Form, certification page and affidavit, along with **THREE** (3) copies of the cover letter, and **ONE** (1) set of documentary attachments.

Affidavits

Affidavit(s) are required by § 803.5 and must attest to the good faith of the persons filing to complete the transaction. Affidavits must be notarized or use the language found in 28 U.S.C. § 1746 relating to unsworn declarations under penalty of perjury. If an entity is filing on behalf of the acquiring or acquired person, the affidavit must still attest to the good faith of the UPE.

In non-§ 801.30 transactions, the affidavit(s) (submitted by both persons filing) must attest that a contract, agreement in principle or letter of intent to merge or acquire has been executed, and further attest to the good faith intention of the person filing notification to complete the transaction. (See § 803.5(b)).

In § 801.30 transactions, the affidavit (submitted only by the acquiring person) must attest:

- 1) that the issuer whose voting securities or the unincorporated entity whose non-corporate interests are to be acquired has received notice, as described below, from the acquiring person;
- 2) in the case of a tender offer, that the intention to make the tender offer has been publicly announced; and

- 3) the good faith intention of the person filing notification to complete the transaction.

Acquiring persons in § 801.30 transactions are required to submit a copy of the notice received by the acquired person pursuant to § 803.5(a)(3) along with the filing. This notice must include:

- 1) the identity of the acquiring person and the fact that the acquiring person intends to acquire voting securities of the issuer or non-corporate interests of the unincorporated entity;
- 2) the specific notification threshold that the acquiring person intends to meet or exceed in an acquisition of voting securities;
- 3) the fact that the acquisition may be subject to the Act, and that the acquiring person will file notification under the Act;
- 4) the anticipated date of receipt of such notification by the Agencies; and
- 5) the fact that the person within which the issuer or unincorporated entity is included may be required to file notification under the Act. (See § 803.5(a)).

Responses

Enter the name of the person filing notification in Item 1(a) on page 1 of the Form, and enter the same name and the date on which the Form is completed at the top of each page of the Form.

If there is insufficient room on the Form for a response to a particular item, attach "additional pages" behind that item on the Form. Filers must submit a complete set of additional pages within each copy of the Form.

Each additional page should identify, at the top of the page, the name of the person filing notification, the date on which the Form is completed and the item to which it is addressed.

Voluntary submissions pursuant to § 803.1(b) should be identified as V-1, V-2, etc.

If unable to answer any item fully, provide such information as is available and a statement of reasons for non-compliance as required by § 803.3. If exact answers to any item cannot be given, enter best estimates and indicate the source or basis of such estimates. Add an endnote with the notation "est." to any item where data are estimated.

All financial information should be expressed in millions of dollars rounded to the nearest one-tenth of a million dollars.

Limited Response

The acquired person should limit its response in Items 5-7:

- 1) in the case of an acquisition of assets, to the assets being acquired;
- 2) in the case of an acquisition of voting securities, to the issuer(s) whose voting securities are being acquired and all entities controlled by such acquired entities; and
- 3) in the case of an acquisition of non-corporate interests, to the unincorporated entity(s) whose non-corporate interests are being acquired and all entities controlled by such acquired entities.

Separate responses may be required where a person is both acquiring and acquired. (See § 803.2(b)).

Information need not be supplied regarding assets, voting securities or non-corporate interests currently being acquired

when their acquisition is exempt under the Act or Rules. (See § 803.2(c)).

Year

All references to "year" refer to calendar year. If data are not available on a calendar year basis, supply the requested data for the fiscal year reporting period that most nearly corresponds to the calendar year specified. References to "most recent year" mean the most recent calendar or fiscal year for which the requested information is available.

North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) and North American Product Classification System (NAPCS) Data

The Form requests "dollar revenues" for non-manufactured and manufactured products with respect to operations conducted within the United States, and for products manufactured outside of the United States and sold into the United States. (See § 803.2(d)). Filing persons must submit data by 6-digit NAICS code to reflect both non-manufacturing and manufacturing dollar revenues. To the extent that dollar revenues are derived from manufacturing operations (NAICS Sectors 31-33), filing persons must also submit data by 10-digit NAPCS code. (See Item 5 below).

In reporting information by 6-digit NAICS code, refer to the *North American Industry Classification System - United States, 2017* published by the Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget.

In reporting information by 10-digit NAPCS code, refer to the concordance tables between 2012 product codes and 2017 NAPCS-based product codes published by the Bureau of the Census.

Information regarding NAICS and NAPCS is available at www.census.gov. This site also provides assistance in choosing the proper code(s) for reporting in Item 5 of the Form.

Thresholds

Filing fee and notification thresholds are adjusted annually pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 18A(a)(2)(A) based on the change in gross national product, in accordance with 15 U.S.C. § 19(a)(5). The current threshold values can be found at [Current Filing Thresholds](#).

END OF GENERAL SECTION

[Online Style Sheet for the Form](#)

[Online Tips for the Form](#)

THE FORM - ITEM BY ITEM

Fee Information

The fee for filing the Form is based on the aggregate total value of assets, voting securities and controlling non-corporate interests to be held as a result of the acquisition:

Value of assets, voting securities and controlling non-corporate interests to be held	Fee Amount
greater than \$50 million (as adjusted) but less than \$100 million (as adjusted)	\$45,000
\$100 million (as adjusted) or greater but less than \$500 million (as adjusted)	\$125,000
\$500 million or greater (as adjusted)	\$280,000

For current thresholds and fee information, see the [PNO website](#).

Amount Paid

Indicate the amount of the filing fee paid. This amount should be net of any banking or financial institution charges.

Payer Identification

Provide the payer's name and 9-digit Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). If the payer is a natural person with no TIN, provide the natural person's social security number.

Method of Payment

The preferred method of payment is by electronic wire transfer (EWT). For EWT payments, provide the EWT confirmation number and the name of the financial institution from which the EWT is being sent. If the EWT confirmation number is not available at the time of filing, provide this information to the PNO within two business days of filing.

In order for the FTC to track payment, the payer must provide information required by the Fedwire Instructions to the financial institution initiating the EWT. A template of the Fedwire Instructions is available at the [PNO website](#) on the [Filing Fee Information](#) page.

There are now specific, limited criteria for paying by certified check. Please see the [Filing Fee Information](#) page for details.

Corrective Filings

Put an X in the appropriate box to indicate whether the notification is a corrective filing (i.e., an acquisition that has already taken place without filing, in violation of the statute). See [Procedures for Submitting Post-Consummation Filings](#) for more information on how to proceed in the case of a corrective filing.

Cash Tender Offer

Put an X in the appropriate box to indicate whether the acquisition is a cash tender offer.

Bankruptcy

Put an X in the appropriate box to indicate whether the acquired person's filing is being made by a trustee in bankruptcy or by a debtor-in-possession for a transaction that is subject to Section 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. § 363).

Early Termination

Put an X in the "yes" box to request early termination of the waiting period. Notification of each grant of early termination will be published in the Federal Register, as required by 15 U.S.C. § 18A(b)(2), and on the [PNO website](#). Note that if either party in any transaction requests early termination, it may be granted and published.

Transactions Subject to International Antitrust Notification

If, to the knowledge or belief of the filing person at the time of filing, a non-U.S. antitrust or competition authority has been or will be notified of the proposed transaction, list the name of each such authority. Response to this item is voluntary.

Index of Hyperlinks in these Instructions:

PNO website: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program>

Statute, Rules and Formal Interpretations: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/statute-rules-formal-interpretations>

HSR Resources: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/hsr-resources>

Current Filing Thresholds: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/current-thresholds>

Online Style Sheet for the Form: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/form-instructions/style-sheet>

Online Tips for the Form: https://www.ftc.gov/system/files/attachments/form-instructions/hsr_form_tip_sheet_1.0.5.pdf

Filing Fee Information: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/filing-fee-information>

Procedures for Submitting Post-Consummation Filings: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/post-consummation-filings-hsr-violations>

Online Tips for Item 4(c): <https://www.ftc.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/hsr-resources/4ctipsheet.pdf>

Online Tips for Item 4(d): <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/hsr-resources/pno-guidance-item-4d>

Online Tips for Item 5: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/hsr-resources/reporting-revenues-item-5>

Online Tips for Item 6: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/hsr-resources/tips-completing-item-6-hsr-form>

Online Tips for Item 7: <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/premerger-notification-program/hsr-resources/tips-completing-item-7-hsr-form>

ITEM 1

Item 1(a)

Provide the name, headquarters address and website (if one exists) of the person filing notification. The name of the person filing is the name of the UPE. (See § 801.1(a)(3)).

Item 1(b)

Indicate whether the person filing notification is an acquiring person, an acquired person, or both an acquiring and acquired person. (See § 801.2).

Item 1(c)

Put an X in the appropriate box to indicate whether the person in Item 1(a) is a corporation, unincorporated entity, natural person, or other (specify). (See § 801.1).

Item 1(d)

Put an X in the appropriate box to indicate whether data furnished in Item 5 is by calendar year or fiscal year. If fiscal year, specify the time period.

Item 1(e)

Put an X in the appropriate box to indicate if the Form is being filed on behalf of the UPE by another entity within the same person authorized by it to file notification on its behalf pursuant to § 803.2(a), or if the Form is being filed pursuant to § 803.4 on behalf of a foreign person. Then provide the name and mailing address of the entity filing notification on behalf of the filing person named in Item 1(a) of the Form.

Item 1(f)

For the acquiring person, if an entity other than the UPE listed in Item 1(a) is making the acquisition, provide the name and mailing address of that entity and the percentage of its voting securities or non-corporate interests held directly or indirectly by the person named in Item 1(a) above.

For the acquired person, if the assets, voting securities or non-corporate interests of an entity other than the UPE listed in Item 1(a) are being acquired, provide the name and mailing address of that entity and the percentage of its voting securities or non-corporate interests held directly or indirectly by the person named in Item 1(a) above.

Item 1(g)

Provide the name and title, firm name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the primary and secondary individuals to contact regarding the Form. A second contact person is required. (See § 803.20(b)(2)(ii)).

Item 1(h)

Foreign filing persons must provide the name, firm name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of an individual located in the United States designated for the limited purpose of receiving notice of the issuance of a request for additional information or documentary material. (See § 803.20(b)(2)(iii)).

Note: The Form has fields for fax numbers in Item 1. Providing fax numbers is no longer necessary. The fields will be deleted during the next update of the HSR Form.

END OF ITEM 1

ITEM 2

Item 2(a)

Provide the names of all UPEs of acquiring and acquired persons that are parties to the transaction, whether or not they are required to file notification. If a person is not required to file, check the non-reportable box.

Item 2(b)

Put an X in all the boxes that apply to the transaction.

Item 2(c)

This item should only be completed by the acquiring person where voting securities are being acquired. If more than voting securities are being acquired, respond to this item only regarding voting securities. Put an X in the box to indicate the highest applicable threshold for which notification is being filed: \$50 million (as adjusted), \$100 million (as adjusted), \$500 million (as adjusted), 25% (if the value of voting securities to be held is greater than \$1 billion, as adjusted), or 50%. (See § 801.1(h)).

Note that the 50% notification threshold is the highest threshold and should be used for any acquisition of 50% or more of the voting securities of an issuer, regardless of the value of the voting securities. For instance, an acquisition of 100% of the voting securities of an issuer, valued in excess of \$500 million (as adjusted) would cross the 50% notification threshold, not the \$500 million (as adjusted) threshold.

Item 2(d)

Provide the requested information on assets, voting securities and non-corporate interests. If a combination of assets, voting securities and/or non-corporate interests is being acquired and allocation is not possible, note such information in an endnote.

For determining percentage of voting securities, evaluate total voting power per § 801.12.

For determining percentage of non-corporate interests, evaluate the economic interests per § 801.1(b)(1)(ii).

Item 2(d)(i)

State the value of voting securities already held. (See § 801.10).

Item 2(d)(ii)

State the percentage of voting securities already held. (See § 801.12).

Item 2(d)(iii)

State the total value of voting securities to be held as a result of the acquisition. (See § 801.10).

Item 2(d)(iv)

State the total percentage of voting securities to be held as a result of the acquisition. (See § 801.12).

Item 2(d)(v)

State the value of non-corporate interests already held. (See § 801.10).

Item 2(d)(vi)

State the percentage of non-corporate interests already held. (See § 801.1(b)(1)(ii)).

Item 2(d)(vii)

State the total value of non-corporate interests to be held as a result of the acquisition. (See § 801.10).

ITEM 2 cont.

Item 2(d)(viii)

State the total percentage of non-corporate interests to be held as a result of the acquisition. (See §§ 801.10 and 801.1(b)(1)(ii)).

Item 2(d)(ix)

State the value of assets to be held as a result of the acquisition. (See § 801.10).

Item 2(d)(x)

State the aggregate total value of assets, voting securities and non-corporate interests of the acquired person to be held as a result of the acquisition. (See §§ 801.10, 801.12, 801.13 and 801.14).

END OF ITEM 2

Most Common Mistakes When Completing the HSR Form

- Noncompliant affidavit
- Missing contact information in Item 1(g)
- Failure to describe target in Item 3(a)
- Incomplete privilege log
- Failure to properly identify authors and recipients of Item 4c/4d documents
- Failure to properly round revenues in Item 5 to nearest tenth of a million and failure to list in ascending order
- Failure to provide required geographic information (e.g., state, county, and city or town) in Item 7(c)(iv)(b)
- Failure to provide the total number of states and territories in response to Item 7(c)

ITEM 3

Item 3(a)

At the top of Item 3(a), list the name and mailing address of each acquiring and acquired person, and acquiring and acquired entity, whether or not required to file notification. It is not necessary to list every subsidiary wholly-owned owned by an acquired entity.

In the Transaction Description section, briefly describe the transaction, indicating whether assets, voting securities or non-corporate interests (or some combination) are to be acquired. Describe the business operation(s) being acquired. If assets, describe the assets and whether they comprise a business operation. Also, indicate what consideration will be received by each party and the scheduled consummation date of the transaction.

If any attached transaction documents use coded names to refer to the parties, please provide an index identifying the codes.

If there are additional filings, such as shareholder backside filings, associated with the transaction, identify those. Also, identify any special circumstances that apply to the filing, such as whether part of the transaction is exempt under one of the exemptions found in Part 802.

Item 3(b)

Furnish copies of all documents that constitute the agreement(s) among the acquiring person(s) and the person(s) whose assets, voting securities or non-corporate interests are to be acquired. Also furnish agreements not to compete and other agreements between the parties. Do not submit schedules and the like unless they contain agreements not to compete, other agreements between the parties, or other important terms of the transaction. For purposes of Item 3(b), responsive documents must be submitted; identifying an internet address or providing a link is not sufficient.

Documents that constitute the agreement(s) (e.g., a Letter of Intent, Merger Agreement, Purchase and Sale Agreement) must be executed, while agreements not to compete may be provided in draft form if that is the most recent version.

If parties are filing on an executed Letter of Intent, they may also submit a draft of the definitive agreement, if one exists.

Note that transactions subject to § 801.30 and bankruptcies under 11 U.S.C. § 363 do not require an executed agreement or letter of intent. For bankruptcies, provide the order from the bankruptcy court.

END OF ITEM 3

ITEM 4

Item 4(a)

Provide the names of all entities within the person filing notification, including the UPE, that file annual reports (Form 10-K or Form 20-F) with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, and provide the Central Index Key (CIK) number for each entity.

Item 4(b)

Provide the most recent annual reports and/or annual audit reports (or, if audited is unavailable, unaudited) of the person filing notification.

The acquiring person should also provide the most recent reports of the acquiring entity(s) and any controlled entity whose dollar revenues contribute to an overlap reported in Item 7.

The acquired person should also provide the most recent reports of the acquired entity(s).

Natural persons need only provide the most recent reports for the highest level entity(s) they control. Do not provide personal balance sheets or tax returns.

If the most recent reports do not show sales or assets sufficient to meet the size of person test, and the size of person test is relevant given the size of the transaction, the filing person must stipulate in Item 4(b) that it meets the test.

Note that the person filing notification may incorporate a document by reference to an internet address directly linking to the document. (See § 803.2(e)).

Items 4(c) and 4(d)

For each document responsive to Items 4(c) and 4(d), provide the:

- 1) document's title;
- 2) date of preparation; and
- 3) name and title of each individual who prepared the document.

If a specific date is not available, indicate the month and year the document was prepared.

If a large group of people prepared the document, list all the authors and their titles, identifying the principal authors.

Alternatively, it is acceptable to indicate that the document was prepared under the supervision of the lead author and to provide the name and title of that author. If a third party prepared the document, the date of preparation and the name of the third party will suffice.

Numbering

Number each document provided in response to Items 4(c) and 4(d). Number 4(c) documents 4(c)-1, 4(c)-2, 4(c)-3, etc. Likewise, number 4(d) documents 4(d)-1, 4(d)-2, 4(d)-3, etc., regardless of the three sub-categories within Item 4(d). If providing only one document, identify it as 4(c)-1 or 4(d)-1.

When submitting a document responsive to both 4(c) and 4(d), list it only once, under 4(c) or 4(d). If a document is responsive to both 4(c) and 4(d), do not cross-reference.

Privilege

Note that if the filing person withholds or redacts portions of any document responsive to Items 4(c) and 4(d) based on a claim of privilege, the person must provide a statement of reasons for non-compliance (a "privilege log") detailing the claim of privilege for each withheld or redacted document. (See § 803.3(d)).

For each document, include the:

- 1) title of the document;
- 2) its author;
- 3) author's title/position;
- 4) addressee;
- 5) addressee's title/position;
- 6) date;
- 7) subject matter;
- 8) all recipients of the original and any copies;
- 9) recipients' titles/positions;
- 10) document's present location; and
- 11) who has control over it.

Additionally, the filing person must state the factual basis supporting the privilege claim in sufficient detail to enable staff to assess the validity of the claim for each document without disclosing the protected information.

If a privileged document was circulated to a group, such as the Board or an investment committee, the name of the group is sufficient, but the filing person should be prepared to disclose the names and titles/positions of the individual group members, if requested. If the claim of privilege is based on advice from inside and/or outside counsel, the name of the inside and/or outside counsel providing the advice (and the law firm, if applicable) must be provided. If several lawyers participated in providing advice, identifying lead counsel is sufficient. In identifying who controls a document, the name of the law firm is sufficient.

When creating a privilege log, use a separate numbering system for withheld documents, such as P-1, P-2, etc. Redacted documents should also be listed in a separate log that complies with § 803.3(d).

Item 4(c)

Provide all studies, surveys, analyses and reports which were prepared by or for any officer(s) or director(s) (or, in the case of unincorporated entities, individuals exercising similar functions) for the purpose of evaluating or analyzing the acquisition with respect to market shares, competition, competitors, markets, potential for sales growth or expansion into product or geographic markets.

Item 4(d)**Item 4(d)(i)**

Provide all Confidential Information Memoranda prepared by or for any officer(s) or director(s) (or, in the case of unincorporated entities, individuals exercising similar functions) of the UPE of the acquiring or acquired person or of the acquiring or acquired entity(s) that specifically relate to the sale of the acquired entity(s)

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or assets. If no such Confidential Information Memorandum exists, submit any document(s) given to any officer(s) or director(s) of the buyer meant to serve the function of a Confidential Information Memorandum. This does not include ordinary course documents and/or financial data shared in the course of due diligence, except to the extent that such materials served the purpose of a Confidential Information Memorandum when no such Confidential Information Memorandum exists. Documents responsive to this item are limited to those produced up to one year before the date of filing.

Item 4(d)(ii)

Provide all studies, surveys, analyses and reports prepared by investment bankers, consultants or other third party advisors ("third party advisors") for any officer(s) or director(s) (or, in the case of unincorporated entities, individuals exercising similar functions) of the UPE of the acquiring or acquired person or of the acquiring or acquired entity(s) for the purpose of evaluating or analyzing market shares, competition, competitors, markets, potential for sales growth or expansion into product or geographic markets that specifically relate to the sale of the acquired entity(s) or assets. This item requires only materials developed by third party advisors during an engagement or for the purpose of seeking an engagement. Documents responsive to this item are limited to those produced up to one year before the date of filing.

Item 4(d)(iii)

Provide all studies, surveys, analyses and reports evaluating or analyzing synergies and/or efficiencies prepared by or for any officer(s) or director(s) (or, in the case of unincorporated entities, individuals exercising similar functions) for the purpose of evaluating or analyzing the acquisition. Financial models without stated assumptions need not be provided in response to this item.

END OF ITEM 4

Tip for Item 4

If there is insufficient room on the Form for a response, attach "additional pages" behind that item on the Form. (See Responses on page II).

[Online Tips for Item 4\(c\)](#)

[Online Tips for Item 4\(d\)](#)

ITEMS 5 THROUGH 7

Limited response for acquired person. For Items 5 through 7, the acquired person should limit its response in the case of an acquisition of:

- 1) assets, to the assets to be acquired;
- 2) voting securities, to the issuer(s) whose voting securities are being acquired and all entities controlled by such issuer; and/or
- 3) non-corporate interests, to the unincorporated entity(s) being acquired and all entities controlled by such unincorporated entity(s).

A person filing as both acquiring and acquired persons may be required to provide a separate response to Items 5 through 7 in each capacity so that it can properly limit its response as an acquired person. (See §§ 803.2(b) and (c)).

ITEM 5

This item requests information regarding dollar revenues. (See NAICS and NAPCS Data section on page II). All persons must submit all dollar revenues at the 6-digit NAICS industry code level. To the extent that dollar revenues are derived from manufacturing operations (NAICS Sectors 31-33), filers must also submit revenue by 10-digit NAPCS code. Concordance tables between 2012 10-digit NAICS codes and 10-digit 2017 NAPCS codes are available at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/economic-census/guidance/understanding-napcs.html>.

List all NAICS and NAPCS codes in ascending order.

Acquiring persons filing notification should include the total dollar revenues for all entities included within the person filing notification at the time the Form is prepared. Acquired persons filing notification should include the total dollar revenues for all entities included within the acquired entity at the time the Form is prepared. If no dollar revenues are reported, check the "None" box and provide a brief explanation.

Item 5(a)

Provide 6-digit NAICS industry data concerning the aggregate U.S. operations of the person filing notification for the most recent year in all NAICS Sectors in which the person engaged. If the dollar revenues for a non-manufacturing NAICS code totaled less than one million dollars in the most recent year, that code may be omitted from Item 5(a).

Additionally, provide 10-digit NAPCS product code data for each product code within all manufacturing NAICS Sectors (31-33) in which the person engaged in the U.S., including dollar revenues for each product manufactured outside the U.S. but sold into the U.S. Sales of any manufactured product should be reported in a manufacturing code, even if sold through a separate warehouse or retail establishment.

If such data have not been compiled for the most recent year, estimates of dollar revenues by 6-digit NAICS codes and 10-digit NAPCS codes may be provided.

Check the Overlap box for every 6-digit manufacturing and non-manufacturing NAICS code and every 10-digit NAPCS code in which both parties to the transaction generate dollar revenues.

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Item 5(b)

Complete only if the acquisition is the formation of a joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity. (See §§ 801.40 and 801.50). If the acquisition is not the formation of a joint venture, check the "Not Applicable" box.

Item 5(b)(i)

List the contributions that each person forming the joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity has agreed to make, specifying when each contribution is to be made and the value of the contribution as agreed by the contributors.

Item 5(b)(ii)

Describe fully the consideration that each person forming the joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity will receive in exchange for its contribution(s).

Item 5(b)(iii)

Describe generally the business in which the joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity will engage, including its principal types of products or activities, and the geographic areas in which it will do business.

Item 5(b)(iv)

Identify each 6-digit NAICS industry code in which the joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity will derive dollar revenues. If the joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity will be engaged in manufacturing, also specify each 10-digit NAICS product code in which it will derive dollar revenues.

END OF ITEM 5

Tip for Item 5

Remember, all financial information should be expressed in millions of dollars, rounded to the nearest one-tenth of a million dollars.

[Online Tips for Item 5](#)

ITEM 6

An acquired person does not complete Item 6 if the transaction involves only the acquisition of assets. If the transaction involves a mix of assets along with voting securities and/or non-corporate interests, the acquired person must complete Item 6 as related to the voting securities and non-corporate interests.

Item 6(a)

Subsidiaries of filing person. List the name, city and state/country of all U.S. entities, and all foreign entities that have sales in or into the U.S., that are included within the person filing notification. Entities with total assets of less than \$10 million may be omitted. Alternatively, the filing person may report all entities within it.

Item 6(b)

Minority shareholders. For the acquired entity(s) and for the acquiring entity(s) and its UPE or, in the case of natural persons, the top-level corporate or unincorporated entity(s) within that UPE, list the name and headquarters mailing address of each shareholder that holds 5% or more but less than 50% of the outstanding voting securities or non-corporate interests of the entity, and the percentage of voting securities or non-corporate interests held by that person. (See § 801.1(c))

For limited partnerships, only the general partner(s), regardless of percentage held, should be listed.

Item 6(c)

Minority holdings. Item 6(c) requires the disclosure of holdings of 5% or more but less than 50%, of any entity(s) that derives dollar revenues in any 6-digit NAICS code reported by the other person filing notification. Holdings in those entities that have total assets of less than \$10 million may be omitted.

The acquiring person may rely on its regularly prepared financials that list its investments, and those of its associates that list their investments, to respond to Items 6(c)(i) and (ii), provided the financials are no more than three months old.

If NAICS codes are unavailable, holdings in entities that have operations in the same industry, based on the knowledge or belief of the acquiring person, should be listed. In responding to Items 6(c)(i) and 6(c)(ii), it is permissible for the acquiring person to list all entities in which it or its associate(s) holds 5% or more but less than 50% of the voting securities of any issuer or non-corporate interests of any unincorporated entity. Holdings in those entities that have total assets of less than \$10 million may be omitted.

Item 6(c)(i)

Minority holdings of filing person. If the person filing notification holds 5% or more but less than 50% of the voting securities of any issuer or non-corporate interests of any unincorporated entity, list the issuer and percentage of voting securities held, or in the case of an unincorporated entity, list the unincorporated entity and the percentage of non-corporate interests held.

The acquiring person should limit its response, based on its knowledge or belief, to entities that derived dollar revenues in the most recent year from operations in industries within any 6-digit NAICS industry code in which the acquired entity(s) or assets also derived dollar revenues in the most recent year.

The acquired person should limit its response, based on its knowledge or belief, to entities that derive dollar revenues in the

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same 6-digit NAICS industry code as the acquiring person.

Item 6(c)(ii)**Minority holdings of associates.****This item should only be completed by the acquiring person.**

Based on the knowledge or belief of the acquiring person, for each associate (see § 801.1(d)(2)) of the acquiring person holding:

- 1) 5% or more but less than 50% of the voting securities or non-corporate interests of the acquired entity(s); and/or
- 2) 5% or more but less than 50% of the voting securities of any issuer or non-corporate interests of any unincorporated entity that derived dollar revenues in the most recent year from operations in industries within any 6-digit NAICS industry code in which the acquired entity(s) or assets also derived dollar revenues in the most recent year;

list the associate, the issuer or unincorporated entity and the percentage held.

END OF ITEM 6

Tip for Item 6(c)

Remember, if NAICS codes are unavailable, holdings in entities that have operations in the same industry, based on the knowledge or belief of the acquiring person, should be listed.

[Online Tips for Item 6](#)

ITEM 7

If, to the knowledge or belief of the person filing notification, the acquiring person, or any associate (see § 801.1(d)(2)) of the acquiring person, derived any amount of dollar revenues (even if omitted from Item 5) in the most recent year from operations:

- 1) in industries within any 6-digit NAICS industry code in which any acquired entity that is a party to the acquisition also derived any amount of dollar revenues in the most recent year; or
- 2) in which a joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity will derive dollar revenues;

then for each such 6-digit NAICS industry code follow the instructions below for this section.

Note that if the acquired entity is a joint venture, the only overlaps that should be reported are those between the assets to be held by the joint venture and any assets of the acquiring person or its associates not contributed to the joint venture.

Also, if the acquiring person reports an associate overlap only, the acquired person does not need to respond to Item 7.

Item 7(a)**Industry Code Overlap Information**

Provide the 6-digit NAICS industry code and description for the industry, and indicate whether the overlap is from the person, an associate or both.

Item 7(b)**Item 7(b)(i)**

If the UPE of the other person(s) filing notification derived dollar revenues in the same 6-digit industry code(s) listed in Item 7(a), list the name of that UPE and the name of the entity(s) within that UPE that actually derived those dollar revenues, if different from the entity(s) listed in Item 3(a).

Item 7(b)(ii)**This item should only be completed by the acquiring person.**

List the name of each associate of the acquiring person that also derived dollar revenues through a controlled operating company(s) in the 6-digit industry and, if different, the name of the entity(s) that actually derived those dollar revenues.

Item 7(c)**Geographic Market Information**

Use the 2-digit postal codes for states and territories and provide the total number of states and territories at the end of the response.

Note that except in the case of those NAICS industries in the Sectors and Subsectors mentioned in Item 7(c)(iv)(b), the person filing notification may respond with the word "national" if business is conducted in all 50 states.

Item 7(c)(i)**NAICS Sectors 31-33**

For each 6-digit NAICS industry code within NAICS Sectors 31-33 (manufacturing industries) listed in Item 7(a), list the relevant geographic information in which, to the knowledge or belief of the person filing the notification, the products in that 6-digit NAICS industry code produced by the person filing notification are sold without a significant change in their form (whether they are sold by the person filing notification or by others to whom such products have been sold or resold). Except for industries covered

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by Item 7(c)(iv)(b), the relevant geographic information is all states or, if desired, portions thereof.

Item 7(c)(ii)

NAICS Sector 42

For each 6-digit NAICS industry code within NAICS Sector 42 (wholesale trade) listed in Item 7(a), list the states or, if desired, portions thereof in which the customers of the person filing notification are located.

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NAICS Industry Group 5241

For each 6-digit NAICS industry code within NAICS Industry Group 5241 (insurance carriers) listed in Item 7(a), list the state(s) in which the person filing notification is licensed to write insurance.

Item 7(c)(iv)(a)

Other NAICS Sectors

For each 6-digit NAICS industry code listed in item 7(a) within the NAICS Sectors or Subsectors below, list the states or, if desired, portions thereof in which the person filing notification conducts such operations.

- 11 agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting
- 21 mining
- 22 utilities
- 23 construction
- 48-49 transportation and warehousing
- 511 publishing industries
- 515 broadcasting
- 517 telecommunications
- 71 arts, entertainment and recreation

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For each 6-digit NAICS industry code listed in item 7(a) within the NAICS Sectors or Subsectors below, provide the address, arranged by state, county and city or town, of each establishment from which dollar revenues were derived in the most recent year by the person filing notification.

- 2123 nonmetallic mineral mining and quarrying
- 32512 industrial gases
- 32732 concrete
- 32733 concrete products
- 44-45 retail trade, except 442 (furniture and home furnishings stores), and 443 (electronics and appliance stores)
- 512 motion picture and sound recording industries
- 521 monetary authorities - central bank
- 522 credit intermediation and related activities
- 532 rental and leasing services
- 62 health care and social assistance
- 72 accommodations and food services, except 7212 (recreational vehicle parks and recreational camps), and 7213 (rooming and boarding houses)
- 811 repair and maintenance, except 8114 (personal and household goods repair and maintenance)
- 812 personal and laundry services

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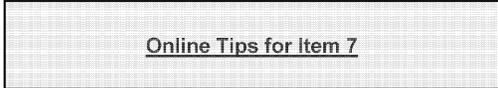
For each 6-digit NAICS industry code listed in item 7(a) within the NAICS Sectors or Subsectors below, list the states or, if desired, portions thereof in which the person filing notification conducts such operations.

- 442 furniture and home furnishings stores
- 443 electronics and appliance stores
- 516 internet publishing & broadcasting
- 518 internet service providers
- 519 other information services
- 523 securities, commodity contracts and other financial investments and related activities
- 5242 insurance agencies and brokerages, and other insurance related activities
- 525 funds, trusts and other financial vehicles
- 53 real estate and rental and leasing
- 54 professional, scientific and technical services
- 55 management of companies and enterprises
- 56 administrative and support and waste management and remediation services
- 61 educational services
- 7212 recreational vehicle parks and recreational camps
- 7213 rooming and boarding houses
- 813 religious, grantmaking, civic, professional, and similar organizations
- 8114 personal and household goods repair and maintenance

Item 7(d)

This item should only be completed by the acquiring person. Use the geographic markets listed in Items 7(c)(i) through 7(c)(iv) to respond to this item, providing the information for associates of the acquiring person. Provide separate responses for each associate of the acquiring person and, if different, the controlled operating company(s) that actually derived the dollar revenues.

END OF ITEM 7



ITEM 8

This item should only be completed by the acquiring person. Determine each 6-digit NAICS industry code listed in Item 7(a), in which the acquiring person derived dollar revenues of \$1 million or more in the most recent year and in which either:

- 1) the acquired entity derived dollar revenues of \$1 million or more in the recent year (or in the case of the formation of a joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity, the joint venture corporation or unincorporated entity reasonably can be expected to derive dollar revenues of \$1 million or more); or
- 2) in the case of acquired assets, to which dollar revenues of \$1 million or more were attributable in the most recent year.

For each such 6-digit NAICS industry code, list all acquisitions of entities or assets deriving dollar revenues in that 6-digit NAICS industry code made by the acquiring person in the five years prior to the date of the instant filing, even if the transaction was non-reportable. List only acquisitions of 50% or more of the voting securities of an issuer or 50% or more of non-corporate interests of an unincorporated entity that had annual net sales or total assets greater than \$10 million in the year prior to the acquisition, and any acquisitions of assets valued at or above the statutory size-of-transaction test at the time of their acquisition.

This item pertains only to acquisitions of U.S. entities/assets and foreign entities/assets with sales in or into the U.S., i.e., with dollar revenues that would be reported in Item 5.

For each such acquisition, supply:

- 1) the 6-digit NAICS industry code (by number and description) identified above in which the acquired entity derived dollar revenues;
- 2) the name of the entity from which the assets, voting securities or non-corporate interests were acquired;
- 3) the headquarters address of that entity prior to the acquisition;
- 4) whether assets, voting securities or non-corporate interests were acquired; and
- 5) the consummation date of the acquisition.

END OF ITEM 8

CERTIFICATION

See § 803.6 for requirements.

The certification must be notarized or use the language found in 28 U.S.C. § 1746 relating to unsworn declarations under penalty of perjury.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Parts 141 and 385

[Docket No. RM19-12-000; Order No. 859]

Revisions to the Filing Process for Commission Forms

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission is adopting eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL) as the standard for filing the Commission Form Nos. 1, 1-F, 2, 2-A, 3-Q electric, 3-Q natural gas, 6, 6-Q, 60, and 714. The use of XBRL will make the information in these forms easier for filers to submit and data users to analyze, and assist in automating regulatory filings. The Commission believes that transitioning from the current Visual FoxPro system to XBRL will decrease the costs, over time, of preparing the necessary data for submission and complying with future changes to filing requirements set forth

by the Commission. In addition, the Commission is revising its regulations to require filers of Form No. 1-F to file their report in electronic media.

DATES: This rule is effective August 26, 2019.

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1. The Commission is adopting eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL) as the standard for filing the Commission’s Form Nos. 1, 1-F, 2, 2-A, 3-Q electric, 3-Q natural gas, 6, 6-Q, 60, and 714 (VFP Forms or Commission Forms). The Commission concludes that adoption of XBRL will make the information in these forms easier for filers to submit and data users to analyze, and assist in automating regulatory filings. The use of XBRL also will increase efficiency and decrease the costs, over time, of preparing the necessary data for submission and complying with future changes to filing requirements set forth by the Commission. In addition, the Commission is revising its regulations to require Form No. 1-F filers to file their report in electronic media pursuant to 18 CFR 385.2011.

I. Background

2. Under the Commission’s regulations, certain entities are required to report information to the Commission by filing one or more forms.¹ Currently,

¹ See 18 CFR 141.1 (requiring annual filing of FERC Form No. 1, Annual report of Major electric utilities, licensees and others); 18 CFR 141.2 (requiring annual filing of FERC Form No. 1-F, Annual report for Nonmajor public utilities and licensees); 18 CFR 260.1 (requiring annual filing of FERC Form No. 2, Annual report for Major natural

this information is transmitted to the Commission using a Commission-distributed software application called Visual FoxPro (VFP). Each entity is required to gather its relevant financial and other data and enter the data into VFP on its own computer system. The entity then uses the VFP software to transmit the information to the Commission. Microsoft Corporation, the developer of the VFP software, no longer supports this application. As a result, on April 25, 2015, the Commission issued an order announcing its intention to replace the current VFP filing format for the VFP Forms with an eXtensible Markup Language (XML)-based filing format.² In

gas companies); 18 CFR 260.2 (requiring annual filing of FERC Form No. 2-A, Annual report for Nonmajor natural gas companies); 18 CFR 141.400 and 18 CFR 260.300 (requiring quarterly filing of FERC Form No. 3-Q, Quarterly financial report of electric utilities, licensees, and natural gas companies); 18 CFR 357.2 (requiring annual filing of FERC Form No. 6, Annual Report of Oil Pipeline Companies); 18 CFR 357.4 (requiring quarterly filing of FERC Form No. 6-Q, Quarterly report of oil pipeline companies); 18 CFR 141.51 (requiring annual filing of FERC Form No. 714, Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report); and 18 CFR 366.23 and 18 CFR 369.1 (requiring annual filing of FERC Form No. 60, Annual reports of centralized service companies).

² *Electronic Filing Protocols for Commission Forms*, 151 FERC ¶ 61,025 (2015) (April 2015 Order).

the April 2015 Order, the Commission stated that XML is the current industry standard for the submission of electronic data. In support of this proposed change, the Commission stated that the XML data format has significant advantages over other approaches because it is non-proprietary and would establish a single standard for nearly all Commission forms, while also providing consistency with the Commission’s current electronic tariff (eTariff) filings and the Electric Quarterly Report (EQR) systems.³ In the April 2015 Order, the Commission directed Commission staff to seek the assistance of the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB)⁴ in the process of developing standards for the submission of the VFP Forms to the Commission.⁵ NAESB facilitated 18 meetings to discuss the transitioning of the forms to the XML process. In addition to these meetings, Commission staff analyzed different methods for

³ *Id.* P 5.

⁴ NAESB serves as a forum for the development and promotion of standards for the wholesale and retail natural gas and electric industries. In response to the Commission’s request on this matter, NAESB performed specific outreach to the oil pipeline industry to include participation from that sector.

⁵ April 2015 Order, 151 FERC ¶ 61,025 at P 10.