

countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to these investigations upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and BPI service list.—Pursuant to § 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in these investigations available to authorized applicants representing interested parties (as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(9)) who are parties to the investigations under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made not later than seven days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Conference.—The Office of Investigations will hold an in-person staff conference in connection with the preliminary phase of these investigations beginning at 9:30 a.m. on August 18, 2023. Requests to appear at the conference should be emailed to preliminaryconferences@usitc.gov (DO NOT FILE ON EDIS) on or before 5:15 p.m. on August 16, 2023. Please provide an email address for each conference participant in the email. Information on conference procedures, format, and participation will be available on the Commission's Public Calendar. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to participate by submitting a short statement.

Please note the Secretary's Office will accept only electronic filings during this time. Filings must be made through the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS, <https://edis.usitc.gov>). No in-person paper-based filings or paper copies of any electronic filings will be accepted until further notice.

Written submissions.—As provided in §§ 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before 5:15 p.m. on August 23, 2023, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigations. Parties shall file written testimony and supplementary material in connection with their presentation at the conference no later than noon on August 17, 2023. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of § 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with

the requirements of §§ 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's *Handbook on Filing Procedures*, available on the Commission's website at https://www.usitc.gov/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures.pdf, elaborates upon the Commission's procedures with respect to filings.

In accordance with §§ 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Certification.—Pursuant to § 207.3 of the Commission's rules, any person submitting information to the Commission in connection with these investigations must certify that the information is accurate and complete to the best of the submitter's knowledge. In making the certification, the submitter will acknowledge that any information that it submits to the Commission during these investigations may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of these or related investigations or reviews, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. All contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements.

Authority. These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to § 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

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Acting Supervisory Hearings and Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Partial Consent Decree Under the Clean Water Act and the Pipeline Safety Laws

On July 31, 2023, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed partial consent decree with the United States

District Court for the District of North Dakota in the lawsuit entitled *United States of America and State of North Dakota v. Belle Fourche Pipeline Company*, Civil Action No. 22-00089-DLH-CRH (the "North Dakota lawsuit"). The proposed partial consent decree would also resolve a lawsuit in the District of Montana entitled *United States of America v. Bridger Pipeline LLC*, Civil Action No. 22-00043-BLG-SPW (the "Montana lawsuit").

The North Dakota lawsuit seeks injunctive relief and civil penalties for violations of the Clean Water Act, the Pipeline Safety Laws, and North Dakota state law arising from the failure of Belle Fourche Pipeline Company's Bicentennial Pipeline approximately 17.4 pipeline miles west of the Skunk Hill station, in Billings County, North Dakota, on or about December 1, 2016, resulting in the discharge of oil into an unnamed tributary to Ash Coulee Creek (the "Ash Coulee spill"). The Montana lawsuit seeks injunctive relief and civil penalties for violations of the Clean Water Act and the Pipeline Safety Laws arising from the failure of Bridger Pipeline LLC's Poplar Pipeline where it crosses under the Yellowstone River approximately six river miles upstream from Glendive, Montana, on or about January 17, 2015, resulting in the discharge of oil into the Yellowstone River (the "Yellowstone spill").

The proposed consent decree requires Defendants to perform injunctive relief and pay a \$12,500,000 civil penalty. Entering into and fully complying with the proposed partial consent decree would resolve Defendants' and certain affiliates' past civil liability under the Clean Water Act and Pipeline Safety Laws arising from the Ash Coulee and Yellowstone spills. The proposed partial consent decree would also resolve Defendants' and certain affiliates' past civil liability for violations that could be brought under specific provisions of the Pipeline Safety Laws relating to pipeline control room management. The proposed partial consent decree would not resolve the United States' claim for injunctive relief under the Clean Water Act for remediation of the Ash Coulee spill.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the partial consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States and State of North Dakota v. Belle Fourche Pipeline Company*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-1-1-11262/2 and *United States v. Bridger Pipeline LLC*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-1-1-11262. All comments must be submitted

no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

<i>To submit comments:</i>	<i>Send them to:</i>
By email	<i>pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov.</i>
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044–7611.

In the case of the Ash Coulee spill, the partial consent decree includes a covenant not to sue by the United States under Section 7003 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (“RCRA”), 42 U.S.C. 6973. Under section 7003(d) of RCRA, a commenter may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area.

During the public comment period, the partial consent decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <http://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the partial consent decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044–7611.

Please enclose a check or money order for \$14.00 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested; Revision of a Previously Approved Collection; Investigator Quality Survey—ATF Form 8620.7

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 60-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Department of Justice (DOJ), will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until October 2, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have additional comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, contact: Lakisha Gregory, either by mail at Personnel Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, PSD—Room 1.E.—300, 99 New York Ave. NE, Washington, DC 20226, by email at Lakisha.Gregory@atf.gov, or telephone at (202) 648–9260.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through 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.

Abstract: Persons interviewed by ATF contract investigators as a part of a federal background investigation are randomly selected to voluntarily complete a survey that measures the effectiveness, efficiency, and professionalism of the investigator. Interviewees who provide email addresses during the interviews may be emailed a survey to complete and return to a specific ATF email address. The Information Collection (IC) OMB 1140–0058 is being revised to correct a typographical error in the Interview Ratings section. A question from the survey was also removed, as it is not included in the investigator’s current line of questioning.

Overview of This Information Collection

1. Type of Information Collection: Revision of a previously approved collection.
2. The Title of the Form/Collection: Investigator Quality Survey.
3. The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: Form number: ATF Form 8620.7. Component: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, U.S. Department of Justice.
4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as the obligation to respond: Individuals or households. The obligation to respond is voluntary.
5. An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: An estimated 2,500 respondents will complete this form once annually, and it will take each respondent approximately 5 minutes to complete their responses.
6. An estimate of the total annual burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 208 hours, which is equal to 2,500 (total respondents) * 1 (# of response per respondent) * 0.0832 (5 minutes).
7. An estimate of the total annual cost burden associated with the collection, if applicable: \$0. There is no new cost associated with this information collection since all requests will be electronically submitted.

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS

Activity	Number of respondents	Frequency	Total annual responses	Time per response	Total annual burden (hours)
ATF Form 8620.7	2,500	1/annually	2,500	5 min	208