

these digital assets will fit into the cybersecurity regulatory framework and what tools can be used to effectively manage them or even what the future may bring as cyberattacks continue to grow in sophistication. This panel will discuss how the evolving grid affects cybersecurity, the CIP Reliability Standards and compliance, as well as best practices; the challenges of implementing appropriate oversight; and ways in which industry can address these challenges to improve its response to evolving vulnerabilities and threats to reduce the risk to the Bulk-Power System.

(1) Discuss the primary security issues facing electric utilities and describe the prioritization of resources and investment. What are some lessons learned and best practices?

(2) With regard to evolving cyber threats, describe how your cybersecurity program identifies and responds to such conditions. When responding, how do you assess the risk posed to your systems by the threats?

(3) Describe the benefits and challenges of implementing and maintaining a cybersecurity program as the resource mix continues to evolve. How does this program interact with actions to comply with the CIP Reliability Standards? How does such a program help to identify and prioritize security concerns, and what actions are taken to address those concerns, including the application of best practices?

(4) Describe how supply chain security and the use of third-party systems, such as cloud services, are addressed in your risk assessments and implemented in the cybersecurity program. What concerns still exist related to supply chain and third-party systems?

(5) What additional actions can the Commission, NERC, and industry take to further protect the grid from security threats, both physical and cyber?

12:30–1:15 p.m. Lunch Break

Afternoon Session: EPA's "Clean Power Plan 2.0" and Reliability

On May 23, 2023 the EPA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking under section 111 of the Clean Air Act. Several comments submitted to EPA on the proposed rule indicated that implementation of the proposal would affect electric reliability. The afternoon panels will discuss the possible reliability impacts of the rule and possible mitigations.

1:15–2:15 p.m. Afternoon Panel 1: EPA Presentation of EPA Section 111 Proposed Rule (Commission Led)

Joseph Goffman, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation (OAR), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), accompanied by staff, will provide an overview of the Section 111 Proposed Rule, and highlight specific issues relevant to the reliable operation of the electric system.

2:15–4:50 p.m. Afternoon Panels 2 and 3: Discuss the Proposed Rule (Staff Led)

—2:15–3:30 p.m. Electric Industry Stakeholders

—3:30–3:40 p.m. Break

—3:40–4:50 p.m. Regional, State, and Local Regulatory Entities

Afternoon Panels 2 and 3 will present perspectives on reliability aspects of the proposed rule, followed by an opportunity for questions and answers. Panelists for both Panels 2 and 3 should be prepared to discuss the following topics and questions:

(1) Will the rule, if implemented as proposed, affect electric reliability? In what ways?

(2) What tools and processes should the Commission, other federal and state agencies, and industry consider in order to implement the proposed rule? What authority should the Commission and other federal and state agencies have in order to address potential reliability issues that could arise during implementation of the proposed rule?

(3) What existing processes for coordination will enable federal and state agencies, planning entities, and industry stakeholders to share ongoing developments relevant to the implementation of the proposed rule?

(4) What specific tools are currently available to agencies to consider impacts to retail consumers? Are there additional tools that should be developed to consider these issues?

4:50–5:00 p.m. Closing Remarks

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER23–2899–000]

MS Solar 6, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of MS Solar 6, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that

such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene, or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is October 12, 2023.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208–3676 or TTY, (202) 502–8659.

The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in

Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Deputy Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; General Administrative Requirements for Assistance Programs

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), “General Administrative Requirements for Assistance Programs” (EPA ICR Number 0938.23, OMB Control Number 2030-0020) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through 6/30/2024. This notice allows for 60 days for public comments.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 27, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OARM-2016-0762, to EPA online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), by email to doCKET_oms@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460. EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes

profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda Kemp, Office of Grants and Debarment, National Policy, Training and Compliance Division, 3903R, Environmental Protection Agency, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-564-0209; fax number: 202-565-2470; email address: kemp.amanda@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through 6/30/2024. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

This notice allows 60 days for public comments. Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA’s public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) 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; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate forms of information technology. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

Abstract: The information is collected from applicants and recipients of EPA assistance to monitor adherence to the programmatic and administrative

requirements of the Agency’s financial assistance program. The information collected is used to make awards, pay recipients, and collect information on how Federal funds are being spent. EPA needs this information to meet its Federal stewardship responsibilities. This ICR renewal requests authorization for the collection of information under EPA’s General Regulation for Assistance Programs, which establishes minimum management requirements for all recipients of EPA grants or cooperative agreements (assistance agreements). Recipients must respond to these information requests to obtain and/or retain a benefit (Federal funds). For awards made prior to December 26, 2014, 40 CFR part 30, “Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations,” establishes the management requirements for institutions of higher education, hospitals, and other non-profit organizations, as well as procurement requirements for non-governmental recipients. For awards made prior to December 26, 2014, 40 CFR part 31, “Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments,” includes the management requirements for States, local governments, and Indian Tribal governments. For awards made after December 26, 2014, 2 CFR 200 and EPA’s implementation of 2 CFR 200 at 2 CFR 1500 “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards” establishes the management requirements for all entity types. These regulations include only those provisions mandated by statute, required by Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars, or added by EPA to ensure sound and effective financial assistance management. For all awards, 40 CFR part 33 “Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Procurement under Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Financial Assistance Agreements” establishes DBE utilization requirements for all entity types. These regulations include only those provisions mandated by statute or added by EPA to ensure sound and effective financial assistance management with respect to DBE utilization. This ICR combines all of these requirements under OMB Control Number 2030-0020. The information required by these regulations will be used by EPA award officials to make assistance awards and assistance payments and to verify that the recipient is using Federal funds appropriately.