

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. The Department is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Entry Evidence and Evaluation & Exit Evidence Forms.

*OMB Control Number:* 1894-NEW.

*Type of Review:* New ICR.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal governments

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 819.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 2,927.

*Abstract:* ED will use the Entry Evidence ICR form and the Evaluation & Exit Evidence ICR form for discretionary grant programs that: (1) Use the standard ED 524-B Grant Performance Report form as approved by OMB. The use of the standard ED 524-B Grant Performance Report promotes the standardization and streamlining of ED discretionary grant performance reporting. These performance reporting components are necessary to standardize information collection about Entry evidence, and Evaluation & Exit evidence use in grant implementation and to ensure a better, more comprehensive understanding of the use of evidence from what is provided in a grant application to the actual implementation of the grant project.

Dated: November 8, 2023.

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Request for Comment: 2024 Election Administration and Voting Survey

**AGENCY:** Election Assistance Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice, request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the EAC announces an information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. The EAC intends to submit this proposed information collection (2024 Election Administration and Voting Survey, or EAVS) to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget for approval. The 2024 EAVS asks election officials questions concerning voting and election administration, including the following topics: Voter registration; overseas and military voting; voting by mail; early in-person voting; polling operations; provisional voting; voter participation; election technology; election policy; and other related issues.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern on Monday, January 15, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on the proposed information collection should be submitted electronically via <https://www.regulations.gov> (docket ID: EAC-2023-0008). Written comments on the proposed information collection can also be sent to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 633 3rd Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20001, *Attn:* EAVS. To obtain a free copy of the draft survey instrument: (1) Download a copy at <https://www.regulations.gov> (docket ID: EAC-2023-0008); or (2) write to the EAC (including your address and phone number) at U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 633 3rd Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20001, *Attn:* EAVS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Raymond Williams at 202-924-0794, or email [research@eac.gov](mailto:research@eac.gov); U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 633 3rd Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title and OMB Number:* 2024 Election Administration and Voting Survey; OMB Number Pending.

*Purpose:* Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal Agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes Agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the EAC is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

*Background:* The EAC issues the EAVS to meet its obligations under the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) to serve as a national clearinghouse and resource for the compilation of information with respect to the administration of Federal elections; to fulfill both the EAC and the Department of Defense Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) data collection requirements under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA); and meet its National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) mandate to collect information from states concerning the impact of that statute on the administration of Federal elections. In addition, under the NVRA, the EAC is responsible for collecting information and reporting, biennially, to Congress on the impact of that statute. The information the states are required to submit to the EAC for purposes of the NVRA report are found under Title 11 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

States that respond to questions in this survey concerning voter registration-related matters will meet their NVRA reporting requirements under 52 U.S.C. 20508 and EAC regulations. Finally, UOCAVA mandates that FVAP work with the EAC and chief state election officials to develop standards for reporting UOCAVA voting information (52 U.S.C. 20302) and that FVAP will store the reported data and present the findings within the congressionally-mandated report to the President and Congress. Additionally, UOCAVA requires that "not later than 90 days after the date of each regularly scheduled general election for Federal office, each state and unit of local

government which administered the election shall (through the state, in the case of a unit of local government) submit a report to the EAC on the combined number of absentee ballots transmitted to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters for the election and the combined number of such ballots which were returned by such voters and cast in the election, and shall make such a report available to the general public.” States that complete and timely submit the UOCAVA section of the survey to the EAC will fulfill their UOCAVA reporting requirement under 52 U.S.C. 20302. In order to fulfill the above requirements, the EAC is seeking information relating to the period from the Federal general election day 2022 +1 through the November 2024 Federal general election. The EAC will provide the data regarding UOCAVA voting to FVAP after data collection is completed. This data sharing reduces burden on local election offices because FVAP does not have to conduct its own data collection to meet its reporting requirements.

*Public Comments:* Public comments are invited on:

- Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;
- The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection;
- Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your submitted comments, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

*Affected Public (Respondents):* State or local governments, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

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*Number of Respondents:* 56.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Estimated Burden per Response:* 90 hours per collection, 45 hours annualized.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 5,040 hours per collection, 2,520 hours annualized.

*Frequency:* Biennially.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[GDO Docket No. EA–462–A]

### Application for Renewal of Authorization To Export Electric Energy; Guzman Energy LLC

**AGENCY:** Grid Deployment Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Guzman Energy LLC (the Applicant or Guzman Energy) has applied for renewed authorization to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before December 15, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed by electronic mail to [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christina Gomer, (240) 474–2403, [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Department of Energy (DOE) regulates electricity exports from the United States to foreign countries in accordance with section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)) and regulations thereunder (10 CFR 205.300 *et seq.*). Sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b) and 7172(f)) transferred this regulatory authority, previously exercised by the now-defunct Federal Power Commission, to DOE.

Section 202(e) of the FPA provides that an entity which seeks to export electricity must obtain an order from DOE authorizing that export. (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)). On April 10, 2023, the authority to issue such orders was delegated to the DOE’s Grid Deployment Office (GDO) by Delegation Order No. S1–DEL–S3–2023 and Redelegation Order No. S3–DEL–GD1–2023.

On December 6, 2018, DOE issued Order No. EA–462, authorizing Guzman Energy to transmit electricity from the United States to Mexico as a power marketer for a five-year term. On October 3, 2023, Guzman Energy filed an application with DOE (Application

or App.) for renewal of their export authority for an additional five-year term. App. at 1.

In its Application, Guzman Energy states that it “provides, through various subsidiaries and affiliates, a wide spectrum of wholesale electric and energy-related products and services to a diverse range of customers.” App. at 2. The Applicant further clarifies that it “is not a franchised public utility with a transmission or distribution system and does not have captive customers.” *Id.* The Applicant asserts that it “does not have its own system on which its exports of energy could have an impact with respect to electric supply. As such, Applicant’s proposed exports would not impair the sufficiency of the electric supply on ‘its system,’ as Applicant does not own or operate an integrated transmission or distribution system.” *Id.* at 5.

The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have been previously authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties. *See id.* at Exhibit C. *Procedural Matters:* Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the Application at [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov). Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of FERC’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding should file a motion to intervene at [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov) in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214).

Comments and other filings concerning Guzman Energy’s Application should be clearly marked with GDO Docket No. EA–462–A. Additional copies are to be provided directly to Robin J. Lunt, Chief Commercial Officer, Guzman Energy LLC, 1125 17th Street, Suite 740, Denver, CO 80202, [rlunt@guzmanenergy.com](mailto:rlunt@guzmanenergy.com) and Max Carpenter, Managing Director of Trading and Market Operations, Guzman Energy LLC, 1125 17th Street, Suite 740, Denver, CO 80202, [mcarpenter@guzmanenergy.com](mailto:mcarpenter@guzmanenergy.com).

A final decision will be made on the requested authorization after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE’s National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after DOE evaluates whether the proposed action will have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of