DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Electric Transmission Congestion Study

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Public Comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (Department) invites public comment on the draft National Electric Transmission Congestion Study.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 20, 2014.

ADDRESSES: The draft study is available for review at http://www.energy.gov/node/942311. Written comments may be submitted electronically to Congestionstudy.comments@hq.doe.gov. Written comments may also be delivered by conventional mail to David Meyer, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585. Commenters are cautioned, however, that all conventional mail to the Department is subject to an automatic security screening process that may take up to three weeks and sometimes renders mailed material illegible.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Meyer, at David.Meyer@hq.doe.gov, or telephone 202–586–1411.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1221(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, codified at 16 U.S.C. 824p(a), directs the Secretary of Energy to conduct an electric transmission congestion study every three years, and to prepare it in consultation with affected states and regional reliability organizations. In the study, the Department seeks to provide information about transmission congestion by focusing on specific indications of transmission constraints and congestion and their consequences. The study focuses on a specific time frame—i.e., historical trends over the past few years, and looking forward three to five years. The study is based entirely on publicly available data and transmission-related documents.

The draft study is available for review at http://www.energy.gov/node/942311. All comments received will be made publicly available on http://www.energy.gov/node/942311. After reviewing and considering the public comments, the Department will prepare and release a final version of the study.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY


Notification of a New System of Records Notice for the EPA Personnel Access and Security System (EPASS)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Office of Administration and Resource Management, Office of Administration, Security Management Division is giving notice that it proposes to create a new system of records pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a). The EPA Personnel Access and Security System (EPASS) is being created to comply with the Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 (HSPD–12), which was issued on August 12, 2004 and signed on August 27, 2004. HSPD–12 mandates a government-wide federal standard for ensuring that executive cards issued to government employees and contractors are reliable and secure. EPASS complies with the federal requirements and will enhance security, increase efficiency, reduce identity fraud, and protect personal privacy.

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on this new system of records notice must do so by September 29, 2014.

ADDRESS: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–2012–0836, by mail:
• www.regulations.gov: Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
• Email: oei.docket@epa.gov.
• Fax: 202–566–1752.
• Hand Delivery: OEI Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OEI–2012–0836. EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information