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FERC ESTABLISHES ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has established a system of electronic registration (eRegistration) for individuals and companies submitting documents to, and receiving documents from, the Commission.

The new eRegistration system will give FERC's customers a central entry point for business with the Commission's publicly accessible electronic applications. These applications, collectively known as FERC Online, will provide customers with a wide range of capabilities to interact and transact business with FERC electronically.

Individuals who register will be able to update their own personal information in the eRegistration system, which will keep FERC service lists up-to-date.

Effective today, the eRegistration system is available on a voluntary basis, and will become mandatory on January 7, 2003. The Commission strongly encourages customers to register well in advance of the effective date so they can familiarize themselves with the system.

Comments or suggestions on the new system may be sent to the Commission in writing or by e-mail to ERegComments@FERC.gov. The Commission requests that comments and suggestions be submitted by October 1, 2002.

To use the eRegistration system, go to the FERC Website www.ferc.gov and click on the tab labeled FERC Online on the menu bar located at the top of the screen. An online demo of the eRegistration system will be available on the FERC Website by the end of August.

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For the time being, eFiling users will access eFiling with their existing account information, but may use the eRegistration system for access to new FERC Online applications as they become available.

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