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Attention: Respondents of the FERC Form 714 - Annual Electric Balancing Authority Area and Planning Area Report (formerly the Annual Electric Control and Planning Area Report)

The FERC Form 714 submission software is now available for download from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's website: <http://eforms1.ferc.gov/form714/install/form714inst.exe>. Through Order 695 in Docket RM07-14-000 (<http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/comm-meet/2007/041907/E-14.pdf>), issued April 19, 2007, the Commission made use of this software mandatory in filing the form beginning with the 2006 data. The software is a web-enabled application that each Form 714 respondent will download from the Commission's website, install on their own company's PC, and use to both enter the Form 714 data and submit their completed Form 714 to the Commission. Instructions for use of this software are located on the Commission's website: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eforms/form-714/elec-subm-soft-ins.pdf>. Since hard copy filings are no longer accepted, each respondent company will be issued its own confidential PIN to use as their electronic signature in submitting their filing to the Commission. A PIN will be emailed to each respondent on record today.

Because the Form 714 filing deadline is June 1 and the software has not been available until now, in Order 695, the Commission granted a one-time extension of time to file the 2006 data, to July 16, 2007. This extension of time will only apply to the filings due this year. For all subsequent years, the annual filing deadline will be June 1.

The required data to be reported has not changed from the previous year. Report instructions are located on the Commission's website: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eforms/form-714/form-714-instructions.doc>.

Questions emailed to Form714@ferc.gov will be promptly answered.