May 2020 Highlights
The FERC insight gives you a monthly snapshot of FERC news. You get the latest news from the monthly Commission meeting and schedules for upcoming conferences and Commissioners’ speeches/presentations, as well as links to Commission orders, notices, new reports and Coronavirus updates.

Michigan Flooding
FERC continues to coordinate with Michigan officials on investigations into the situation at the Edenville and Sanford Dams in mid-May. FERC has directed Boyce Hydro, which owns the dams in the project, including the three FERC-regulated dams (Sanford and the two upstream dams, Secord and Smallwood) and one non-jurisdictional facility (Edenville), to establish an independent investigation team to undertake a forensic analysis of the root cause of the overtopping damage to Sanford Dam as well as any other contributing causes. FERC revoked the license for Edenville in the following Revocation Order.

Open Access: 2020 Summer Market and Reliability Assessment Podcast
FERC’s Policy and Reliability staff explain the 2020 FERC Summer Market and Reliability Assessment and what it means for the coming months. Podcast | Report

Join Us for Ask Me Anything on the 2020 Summer Assessment @fercgov Instagram today from 11-2pm! This AMA is for purposes of discussing findings in the FERC staff 2020 Summer Market and Reliability Assessment, so we will be addressing that subject only. If you have questions on other topics, contact customer@ferc.gov.

Staff Thank You to Chairman Neil Chatterjee
FERC staffers recorded their thanks to Chairman Chatterjee for his leadership and grace in helping us all get through the Coronavirus work-from-home time with a smile. Watch here!

FERC will convene a Technical Conference on Impacts of COVID-19 on the Energy Industry on Wednesday and Thursday, July 8-9, 2020 Notice | Event Details

FERC Provides Accounting Guidance During COVID-19 Pandemic
FERC provides accounting guidance to ease administrative burdens; shorten comment period for Federal Power Act Section 204 filings. News Release

FERC, DOE, NERC, NATF provide guidance during COVID-19 Pandemic
The North American Transmission Forum (NATF), the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and FERC jointly develop resources to help utilities create, update or formalize their pandemic response plans. News Release

Coming in June: FERC’s New Website!
FERC is excited to announce its NEW website, coming in June. It promises to be easy to use and mobile-friendly. Stay tuned for details.
A Look Ahead

- **May 28, 2020** – AMA on the 2020 Summer Assessment on @fercgov Instagram, 11am – 2pm EST
- **June 18, 2020** – Commission Meeting (Details Forthcoming)
  Notice | Event Details
- **July 23, 2020** – Technical conference on hybrid resources. Notice | Event Details

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Decisions & Notices
Delegated Orders & Notices | Notational Orders

May Commission Meeting

Summaries of all Commission decisions from May 21, 2020, Commission Meeting

**FERC Authorizes Alaska LNG Project**
FERC authorized the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) to liquefy and export liquefied natural gas produced in the Alaskan North Slope.
News Release | Order

**FERC Revises Public Utility ROE Methodology, Sets Policy for Natural Gas and Oil Pipelines**
FERC refined its methodology for analyzing the base return on equity (ROE) component of public utility rates under section 206 of the Federal Power Act. The Commission also issued a Policy Statement that applies, with certain exceptions, this ROE methodology to natural gas and oil pipelines.
News Release | E-1 Order | E-2 Statement

Highlights & Happenings

**EnVision Forum Podcast: EEI’s Philip Moeller**
EEI’s Executive Vice President Philip Moeller discusses the electric industry’s response to COVID-19 and the steps the industry is taking moving forward. Podcast

**EnVision Forum Podcast: NYISO’s Richard Dewey**
FERC Chairman Chatterjee and New York ISO CEO Richard Dewey discuss what Covid-19 means for market operations and its long-term effects of demand shifts to residential use. They also discuss how the pandemic will affect the transition of the New York electric power market. Podcast

**EnVision Forum Podcast: Southern Company’s Thomas Fanning**
Southern Company’s Chairman, President and CEO Thomas Fanning talks about COVID-19, electric reliability and cyber security. Podcast
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