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NEW INTERNET SEARCH ENGINE

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission today released a test version of a new, more robust search engine for the agency's Internet website (www.ferc.gov). This new search engine provides a more effective tool to help users find documents across FERC's libraries and files. It can simultaneously search CIPS on the web, RIMS Index, and the entire FERC website. The search results for CIPS and the FERC website also provide a short summary of each document, making it even easier to identify the documents of interest.

Users can test the new search engine by going to the main page of the FERC website and clicking on the search button at the far left side of the address bar located at the top of the screen. Those testing the new search engine are encouraged to provide comments. Following the test, the new search engine will become a permanent feature of the site.

A variety of search options are available to assist users in creating queries that will generate useful results. Features include the ability to search within results from an initial query, find words in close proximity to each other, and view search terms highlighted within the document, among others.

While at its simplest, a query can be just a word or a phrase, the new search engine has a help file that includes tips for searching which can expand the focus of a query to give more complete results. These tips will get users started with basic query language and acquaint them with the full power of the search engine.