

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Chief Administrative Law Judge's
Notices to the Public

Docket No. AD20-12-000

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

REVISIONS TO THE ELECTRONIC HEARING RULES AND PROCEDURES

(Issued June 3, 2020)

1. As required by the Chief Judge's previous notice, issued September 27, 2019, the Electronic Hearing Rules and Procedures govern all hearings. As set forth in Order No. 811, the Electronic Hearing Rules and Procedures have facilitated a shift toward electronic hearing procedures which have improved the efficiency and administrative convenience of the Commission hearing process, reduced the burden and expense associated with paper exhibits, and facilitated the compilation and transmittal of the hearing record to the Commission in electronic format.¹
2. In the newly revised Electronic Hearing Rules and Procedures, Section 8, which governs the official administrative record, clarifies the required procedure to correct exhibits after the record has closed.²

¹ See *Revised Exhibit Submission Requirements for Commission Hearings*, Order No. 811, 151 FERC ¶ 61,221, at P 1 (2015).

² See Electronic Hearing Rules and Procedures, Section 8(c) ("If an exhibit needs to be corrected after the record has closed, the Presiding Judge will issue an order notifying the participants that the record must be reopened to correct exhibits, allow time for answers, require revised exhibits be submitted, and then close the record. Alternatively, the Presiding Judge may convene a post-hearing conference to resolve these issues on the record. This process will ensure both due process and an accurate record. This rule applies to matters such as exhibit naming conventions (which prevent the exhibit from being uploaded to e-library), incorrect confidentiality labelling, and any other exhibit information regardless of whether such changes may be considered *de minimis*.").

3. The current version of the Electronic Hearing Rules and Procedures is available on the Commission's Administrative Litigation webpage³ and in the above-captioned docket.

SO ORDERED.

Carmen A. Cintron
Chief Administrative Law Judge

³ FERC, Administrative Litigation, *available at* <https://www.ferc.gov/legal/admin-lit.asp>.