

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Electronic Tariff Filings

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF TESTING SITE

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In Order No. 714,¹ the Commission adopted regulations requiring that, as of April 10, 2010, tariff and tariff related filings must be made electronically according to a set of protocols and standards. The Commission recognized that companies and third-party vendors developing tariff filing software needed time for development as well as a mechanism for testing their software to make sure their filings will be in accordance with the standards and protocols set forth in Order No. 714 and be accepted by the Commission.

As provided in Order No. 714, an eTariff Testing Site (ETS) is being deployed to help companies and vendors ensure their software systems are constructing their tariff files in accordance with the standards.² At this time, the ETS will provide the basic types of data checks that the Commission will be performing when eTariff becomes operational and will provide a general indication of how processing result messages will be generated in the eTariff system. The site will allow companies and vendors to check whether they are constructing their XML files correctly, with the expected values for specific data elements.

Instructions and the link to the ETS can be found at the eTariff web page on the FERC.gov web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/etariff.asp>. A generic username and password will be required to access the sandbox server and are provided at the eTariff web page. Files submitted have no naming restrictions and must have a .zip as the extension.

The ETS is intended only as a test tool, and is not a secure website. The ETS does not retain data, nor does it evaluate any data provided against actual tariff data. Confidential information should not be submitted, and no requests for confidential treatment under 18 CFR Part 388 will be considered.

¹ Electronic Tariff Filings, Order No. 714, 73 FR 57,515 (Oct. 3, 2008), 124 FERC ¶ 61,270 (Sept. 19, 2008).

² *Id.* at P 87.

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