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February 2021 Highlights

The FERC insight gives you a monthly snapshot of FERC news. The insight gives you updates from Commission meetings and schedules for upcoming conferences/speeches/presentations, and links to Commission orders, notices, new reports, Climate Change and Coronavirus updates.

Extreme Winter Weather Event



FERC, NERC Launch Inquiry into 2021 Cold Weather Grid Operations

FERC and NERC have opened a joint inquiry into the operations of the bulk-power system during the extreme winter weather conditions that shut down power to millions of people in the Midwest and Southern Plains states. News Release

FERC to Examine Electric Reliability in the Face of Climate Change

FERC will open a new proceeding to examine the threat that climate change and extreme weather events pose to electric reliability. The proceeding will examine how grid operators prepare for and respond to extreme weather events, including, but not limited to droughts, extreme cold, wildfires, hurricanes, and prolonged heat waves. Press Release

FERC to Examine Potential Wrongdoing in Markets During Recent Cold Snap

FERC's Office of Enforcement is examining wholesale natural gas and electricity market activity during last week's extreme cold weather to determine if any market participants engaged in market manipulation or other violations. Press Release

Grid Recovery in Wake of Extreme Winter Weather

Chairman Glick said FERC will continues to monitor power grid recovery in the wake of extreme winter weather that cut essential electricity services to millions.



Workshop on the Creation of the Office of Public Participation

Commissioners will lead a workshop April 16 to give members of the public the opportunity to provide their views on the creation of the Office of Public Participation. Event Details



Chairman Glick Announces Plans to Create Senior Position Focusing on Environmental Justice

Chairman Glick announced plans to better incorporate environmental justice and equity concerns into the Commission's decision-making process by creating a new senior staff position to coordinate that work among all FERC professional staff. News Release



Capacity Market Reform Technical Conferences

Chairman Glick announced the Commission will convene a series of technical conferences on capacity market reform, starting in March.

<u>Event Details</u>



FERC Chairman Makes Chief of Staff, General Counsel Appointments

Chairman Glick recently made two major staff announcements: Pamela Quinlan is the Commission's new Acting Chief of Staff, and Matt Christiansen is FERC's new General Counsel.

News Release



FERC Celebrates Black History Month

FERC is celebrating Black History Month with several programs that focus on this year's theme: The Black Family: Representation, Identify and Diversity, Coming up; guest speaker Dr. Joyce Ladner, Dr. Ladner is an author. professor, and former Vice President and Interim President at Howard University. BHM Page

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A Look Ahead

- February 24, 2021 Technical Conference regarding Reassessment of the Electric Quarterly Report
- February 25 26, 2021 Technical Conference regarding RTO/ISO Credit Principles and Practices | Event
- March 4, 2021 CERAweek | Chairman Glick Conversation with Dan Yergin | Event Details
- March 9, 2021 Harvard Electricity Policy Group | Chairman Glick will moderate: "Clean Energy Policy: Ends, Means, and Playing Fields" | Event Details
- March 18, 2021 Next Commission Meeting | Event Details

February Commission Meeting



Pipeline Policy Statement

The Commission reopened its review of the 1999 pipeline certification policy statement by asking for new information and additional perspectives that would help move the process forward. Much has changed since the Commission began its review in April 2018, so the Commission has asked for comment on matters including how it identifies and addresses potential health or environmental effects of its pipeline certification programs, policies and activities on environmental justice communities. News Release | Presentation

Weymouth Compressor Station

FERC established a paper briefing to examine concerns associated with the operation of the Weymouth Compressor Station. The station will remain in operation through this process. News Release

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