

114TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 4427

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 15, 2016

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To amend section 203 of the Federal Power Act.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. CLARIFICATION OF FACILITY MERGER AU-**
2 **THORIZATION.**

3 Section 203(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Power Act (16
4 U.S.C. 824b(a)(1)(B)) is amended by striking “such facili-
5 ties or any part thereof” and inserting “such facilities, or
6 any part thereof, of a value in excess of \$10,000,000”.

7 **SEC. 2. NOTIFICATION FOR CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS.**

8 Section 203(a) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C.
9 824b(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following
10 new paragraph:

11 “(7)(A) Not later than 180 days after the date
12 of enactment of this paragraph, the Commission
13 shall promulgate a rule requiring any public utility
14 that is seeking to merge or consolidate, directly or
15 indirectly, its facilities subject to the jurisdiction of
16 the Commission, or any part thereof, with those of
17 any other person, to notify the Commission of such
18 transaction not later than 30 days after the date on
19 which the transaction is consummated if—

20 “(i) such facilities, or any part thereof, are
21 of a value in excess of \$1,000,000; and

22 “(ii) such public utility is not required to
23 secure an order of the Commission under para-
24 graph (1)(B).

25 “(B) In establishing any notification require-
26 ment under subparagraph (A), the Commission

1 shall, to the maximum extent practicable, minimize
2 the paperwork burden resulting from the collection
3 of information.”.

4 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

5 The amendment made by section 1 shall take effect
6 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives March 14,
2016.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.