UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MICHAEL MABEE,)
Plaintiff,)
V.)
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION,))
Defendant.))

Civil Action No. 19-3448 (KBJ)

DEFENDANT FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION'S NOVEMBER 2020 STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's January 28, 2020 Minute Order, Defendant Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") respectfully submits the following Status Report regarding the processing of the FOIA requests at issue in the above-referenced matter.

Relevant Background

1. The above-captioned case concerns three (3) Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") requests filed by Plaintiff Michael Mabee ("Plaintiff") seeking the identities of Unidentified Registered Entities ("URE") associated with numerous FERC Notice of Penalty dockets.

2. On January 28, 2020, the Court issued a Minute Order ("Jan. 28th Order") directing

FERC to "process a minimum of 10-15 dockets per month and...issue a response to Plaintiff's FOIA requests on the 30th day of each month...until production is complete."

3. The Jan. 28th Order also requires FERC to file a monthly status report regarding the processing of Plaintiff's FOIA requests on the 7th day of each month.

Status Report

4. On October 29, 2020, FERC provided Plaintiff with a response to his FOIA requests as to the following ten (10) dockets: NP12-1; NP12-16; NP12-38; NP12-45; NP12-46; NP13-1; NP13-17; NP13-34; NP13-38; and NP13-45.

5. Based on its internal assessments, FERC denied the release of the URE identities associated with the foregoing ten (10) dockets. *See* Joint Status Report, Doc. 9 at ¶¶ 10-14.

6. FERC anticipates that it will process ten (10) or more additional dockets during the month of November and will file a Status Report on Monday, December 7, 2020.

Dated: November 9, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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