

trigger for the rate to apply is a period of enrollment for which the loan was intended either “ending before” or “beginning on or after” the date in the cohort field.

**CHART 2—VARIABLE-RATE FEDERAL SUBSIDIZED AND UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD LOANS INTEREST RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PERIOD 7/1/2017 THROUGH 6/30/2018**

Cohort		Max. rate	91-Day T-bill rate	Margin		Total rate (%)	
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before			In-school, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)	In-school, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)
10/1/1992 .....	7/1/1994	9.00	0.98	3.10	3.10	4.08	4.08
7/1/1994 .....	7/1/1994†	9.00	0.98	3.10	3.10	4.08	4.08
7/1/1994 .....	7/1/1995	8.25	0.98	3.10	3.10	4.08	4.08
7/1/1995 .....	7/1/1998	8.25	0.98	2.50	3.10	3.48	4.08
7/1/1998 .....	7/1/2006	8.25	0.98	1.70	2.30	2.68	3.28

**Note:** The FFEL Program loans represented in the first row in Chart 2 were only made to “new borrowers” on or after October 1, 1992. The FFEL Program loans represented in the second row in Chart 2 were only made to “new borrowers” on or after July 1, 1994. The FFEL Program loans represented in the third row in Chart 2 must—in addition to having been first disbursed on or after July 1, 1994, and before July 1, 1995—have been made for a period of enrollment that began on or included July 1, 1994.

**CHART 3—VARIABLE-RATE FEDERAL PLUS, SLS, AND CONSOLIDATION LOANS INTEREST RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PERIOD 7/1/2017 THROUGH 6/30/2018**

Loan type	Cohort		Max. rate (%)	Index rate			
	First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-Day T-bill rate	1-Year constant Treasury maturity (%)	Margin (%)	Total rate (%)
PLUS and SLS .....	—	10/1/1992	12.00	—	1.22	3.25	4.47
SLS .....	10/1/1992	7/1/1994†	11.00	—	1.22	3.10	4.32
PLUS .....	10/1/1992	7/1/1994	10.00	—	1.22	3.10	4.32
PLUS .....	7/1/1994	7/1/1998	9.00	—	1.22	3.10	4.32
PLUS .....	7/1/1998	7/1/2006	9.00	0.98	—	3.10	4.08
Loan type .....	Application received on or after	Application received before	Max. rate	91-Day T-bill rate	Average of the Bond equivalent rates of the 91-Day T-bill for the quarter prior to July 1	Margin	Total rate
Consolidation .....	11/13/1997	10/1/1998	8.25	0.98	—	3.10	4.08
HHS Portion of Consolidation .....	11/13/1997	—	—	—	0.92	3.00	3.92

The last row in Chart 3 refers to portions of Federal Consolidation Loans attributable to loans made by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under subpart I of part A of title VII of the Public Health Service Act.

**Note:** No new loans have been made under the FFEL Program since June 30, 2010.

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**A. Wayne Johnson,**  
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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Annual Notice of Interest Rates for Federal Student Loans Made Under the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program Prior to July 1, 2013**

**AGENCY:** Federal Student Aid, Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**DATES:** This notice is applicable August 17, 2017.

**SUMMARY:** The Chief Operating Officer for Federal Student Aid announces the interest rates for loans made under the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program prior to July 1, 2013. For loans that have a variable interest rate, the rates announced in this notice are in effect for the period July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018. The Chief Operating Officer takes this action to give notice of Direct Loan interest rates to the public.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.268.

Section 455(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended

(HEA) (20 U.S.C. 1087e(b)), specifies the interest rates charged to borrowers for Federal Direct Subsidized Stafford/Ford Loans (Direct Subsidized Loans), Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford/Ford Loans (Direct Unsubsidized Loans), Federal Direct PLUS Loans (Direct PLUS Loans), and Federal Direct Consolidation Loans (Direct Consolidation Loans), collectively referred to as "Direct Loans." The interest rates for Direct Loans may be variable or fixed.

**Variable-Rate Direct Loans**

Direct Subsidized Loans, Direct Unsubsidized Loans, and Direct PLUS Loans that were first disbursed before July 1, 2006, and Direct Consolidation Loans for which the application was received before February 1, 1999, have variable interest rates that are determined each year in accordance with formulas specified in section 455(b) of the HEA. The variable interest rate formula that applies to a particular loan depends on the date of the first disbursement of the loan or, for some Direct Consolidation Loans, the date the application for the loan was received. The variable rates are determined annually and are effective for each 12-month period beginning July 1 of one year and ending June 30 of the following year.

Except for Direct PLUS Loans that were first disbursed before July 1, 1998, the variable interest rates for most types of Direct Loans are based on formulas that use the bond equivalent rates of the 91-day Treasury bills auctioned at the final auction held before June 1 of each year, plus a statutory add-on percentage. In each case, the calculated rate is capped by a maximum interest rate. The bond equivalent rate of the 91-day Treasury bills auctioned on May 30, 2017, which is used to calculate the interest rates on these loans, is 0.976 percent rounded up to 0.98 percent.

The interest rate for Direct PLUS Loans that were first disbursed on or after July 1, 1994, and before July 1, 1998, is based on the weekly average of the one-year constant maturity Treasury yield, as published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the last day of the calendar week ending on or before June 26 of each year, plus a statutory add-on percentage. The calculated rate is capped by a maximum interest rate. The weekly average of the one-year constant maturity Treasury yield published on June 26, 2017, which is used to calculate the interest rate on these loans, is 1.22 percent.

Charts 1 through 4 in this notice show the interest rates for variable-rate Direct Loans that are in effect for the period July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

**CHART 1—VARIABLE-RATE DIRECT SUBSIDIZED AND DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED LOANS INTEREST RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PERIOD 7/1/2017 THROUGH 6/30/2018**

Cohort		Max. rate (%)	Index rate			Margin		Total rate	
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-day T-bill rate (%)	In-school, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)	In-school, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)		
7/1/1994 .....	7/1/1995 .....	8.25	0.98	3.10	3.10	4.08	4.08		
7/1/1995 .....	7/1/1998 .....	8.25	0.98	2.50	3.10	3.48	4.08		
7/1/1998 .....	7/1/2006 .....	8.25	0.98	1.70	2.30	2.68	3.28		

**CHART 2—VARIABLE-RATE DIRECT PLUS LOANS INTEREST RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PERIOD 7/1/2017 THROUGH 6/30/2018**

Cohort		Max. rate (%)	Index rate		Margin (%)	Total rate (%)
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-day T-bill rate (%)	1-year constant treasury maturity (%)		
7/1/1994 .....	7/1/1998 .....	9.00	.....	1.22	3.10	4.32
7/1/1998 .....	7/1/2006 .....	9.00	0.98	.....	3.10	4.08

CHART 3—VARIABLE-RATE DIRECT SUBSIDIZED AND DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED CONSOLIDATION LOANS INTEREST RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PERIOD 7/1/2017 THROUGH 6/30/2018

Cohort		Max. rate (%)	Index rate		Margin		Total rate	
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-Day T-Bill rate (%)	In-School, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)	In-School, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)	
7/1/1994 .....	7/1/1995 .....	8.25	0.98	3.10	3.10	4.08	4.08	
7/1/1995 .....	7/1/1998 .....	8.25	0.98	2.50	3.10	3.48	4.08	
7/1/1998 .....	10/1/1998 .....	8.25	0.98	1.70	2.30	2.68	3.28	
First disbursed on or after	Application received before							
10/1/1998 .....	10/1/1998 .....	8.25	0.98	1.70	2.30	2.68	3.28	
Application received on or after	Application received before							
10/1/1998 .....	2/1/1999 .....	8.25	0.98	2.30	2.30	3.28	3.28	

CHART 4—VARIABLE-RATE DIRECT PLUS CONSOLIDATION LOANS INTEREST RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PERIOD 7/1/2017 THROUGH 6/30/2018

Cohort		Max. rate (%)	Index rate		Margin		Total rate	
First disbursed on or after	First disbursed before		91-day T-Bill rate (%)	1-year constant treasury maturity (%)	In-school, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)	In-School, grace, deferment (%)	All other periods (%)
7/1/1994 .....	7/1/1998 .....	9.00	.....	1.22	3.10	3.10	4.32	4.32
7/1/1998 .....	10/1/1998 .....	9.00	0.98	.....	3.10	3.10	4.08	4.08
First disbursed on or after	Application received before							
10/1/1998 .....	10/1/1998 .....	9.00	0.98	.....	3.10	3.10	4.08	4.08
Application received on or after	Application received before							
10/1/1998 .....	2/1/1999 .....	8.25	0.98	.....	2.30	2.30	3.28	3.28

**Fixed-Rate Direct Loans**

Direct Subsidized Loans, Direct Unsubsidized Loans, and Direct PLUS Loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2006, and before July 1, 2013, and Direct Consolidation Loans for which the application was received on or after February 1, 1999, have fixed interest rates. The fixed interest rates for Direct Subsidized Loans, Direct Unsubsidized Loans, and Direct PLUS Loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2006, and before July 1, 2013, and Direct Consolidation Loans for which the application was received on or after February 1, 1999 may be found in a **Federal Register** notice published on October 3, 2016 (81 FR 68003), under the heading “Chart 5—Fixed-Rate Direct Subsidized, Direct Unsubsidized, Direct PLUS Loans, and Direct Consolidation Loans First Disbursed On or After 7/1/2006 and Before 7/1/2013.”

Interest rates for Direct Subsidized Loans, Direct Unsubsidized Loans, and Direct PLUS Loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2013, and before July 1, 2018, are published in earlier **Federal Register** notices, as follows:

- For loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2013, and prior to July 1, 2014, see 78 FR 59011.
- For loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2014, and prior to July 1, 2015, see 79 FR 37301.
- For loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2015, and prior to July 1, 2016, see 80 FR 42488.
- For loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2016, and prior to July 1, 2017, see 81 FR 38159.
- For loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2017, and prior to July 1, 2018, see 82 FR 29062.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

**Combined Notice of Filings #1**

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EC17-156-000.

*Applicants:* Hog Creek Wind Project, LLC.

*Description:* Application for Authorization for Disposition of Jurisdictional Facilities and Request for Expedited Action of Hog Creek Wind Project, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 8/9/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170809-5158.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/30/17.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* ER15-794-006.

*Applicants:* Catalyst Paper Operations Inc.

*Description:* Compliance filing: Update MBR Tariff to be effective 1/27/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5032.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2200-001.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Errata to OATT Att O and P revisions submitted in ER17-2200 re: Solar Generation to be effective 9/29/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5056.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2271-000.

*Applicants:* New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: NYISO 205 filing black start and system restoration service tariff revisions to be effective 10/8/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/9/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170809-5114.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/30/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2272-000.

*Applicants:* Wolverine Power Supply Cooperative, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Second Amended and Restated IFA Agreement to be effective 12/31/9998.

*Filed Date:* 8/9/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170809-5134.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/30/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2273-000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2017-08-09 SA 3041 Gratiot Farms-METC GIA (G934) to be effective 8/9/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/9/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170809-5141.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/30/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2274-000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2017-08-10 SA 3037 Pine River Wind-METC GIA (J589) to be effective 7/27/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5008.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2275-000.

*Applicants:* Green Power Energy LLC.

*Description:* Petition for Limited Waiver and Request for Expedited Action of Green Power Energy LLC.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5026.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2276-000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2017-08-10 Termination of Project J233 E&P Agreements (SA 2507 & SA 2696) to be effective 8/11/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5027.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2277-000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2017-08-10 SA 1976 MEC-ITC Midwest 3rd Revised TIA to be effective 8/21/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5036.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2278-000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent

Independent System Operator, Inc., Otter Tail Power Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2017-08-10 SA 3035 OTP-Dakota Range I & II E&P (J436 J437) to be effective 7/29/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5052.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2279-000.

*Applicants:* Duke Energy Progress, LLC.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Craven LGIA SA 271 Filing to be effective 10/10/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5071.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2280-000.

*Applicants:* Southwestern Public Service Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: SPS-GSEC-RBEC-CA-Wolves-668-0.0.0 to be effective 10/8/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5089.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2281-000.

*Applicants:* Swamp Fox Solar, LLC.  
*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Baseline new to be effective 10/10/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5093.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

*Docket Numbers:* ER17-2282-000.

*Applicants:* Champion Solar, LLC.  
*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Baseline new to be effective 10/10/2017.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5095.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric securities filings:

*Docket Numbers:* ES17-52-000.

*Applicants:* Upper Peninsula Power Company.

*Description:* Application of Upper Peninsula Power Company for Authorization under Section 204 of the Federal Power Act and Request for Expedited Treatment.

*Filed Date:* 8/10/17.

*Accession Number:* 20170810-5072.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 8/31/17.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

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