

FERC is Back and Faces a Full Plate of Electricity Issues

The logo for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), featuring the letters "FERC" in a blue serif font above a horizontal blue line.

With two new commissioners confirmed by the Senate and sworn in, FERC's seven-month period without a quorum is over and it can get back to business, reports Covington & Burling on its **Inside Energy & Environment** blog.

He writes that two more nominations are now before the Senate with a hearing scheduled for Sept. 7. Then the agency should be at full strength within the next few months and ready to take on important policy issues.

"There are quite a few critical generic electricity policy initiatives already teed up and awaiting Commission action. Together, the initiatives address fundamental issues spanning a broad range of FERC's electricity authorities," according to Peterson.

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