



Department of Energy

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POWER BUSINESS LINE

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In reply refer to: **PSP**

To Interested Parties and Customers:

On Tuesday, August 24, 1999, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) will hold a prehearing conference for BPA's 2002 rate case where BPA will release its 2002 initial wholesale power rate proposal. At the prehearing conference, the Hearing Officer will establish the procedural schedule for the rate case, determine party status, and decide other legal matters.

The prehearing conference will be held in the BPA Rates Hearing Room from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Room 223, 911 NE 11th, Portland, Oregon.

Interested parties must file petitions to intervene in order to take part in the formal hearing. Petitions are due to the Hearing Officer by 9:00 a.m. on August 24, 1999. They should be directed to:

Christopher Jones
Hearing Clerk - LP
Bonneville Power Administration
905 NE 11th Ave
PO Box 12999
Portland Oregon 97212

BPA will also complete its series of technical workshops to help parties understand the Rate Analysis Model (RAM) and the Risk Analysis Model (RiskMod) and to address other topics raised during BPA's initial series of workshops. These two models plus updated versions of the ToolKit model and the Non-Operating Risk Model (NORM) will be posted on the internet as soon as possible (probably by August 18th for NORM and ToolKit, followed shortly thereafter by RiskMod and RAM). Questions about the models will be answered at the workshops.

The workshops will be held in the Rates Hearing Room at the dates and times noted below. Detailed agendas will be posted on BPA's website at www.bpa.gov/power/ratecase.

August 31: RAM; Marginal Costs; Conservation & Renewables Discount (8:30 - 4:00)
September 1: RiskMod (9:00 - 4:00)
September 2: RiskMod follow-up (8:30 - 4:00)

Also, on August 24, 1999, BPA will conduct a prehearing conference regarding the Proposed Firm Power Products and Services (FPS-96R) Rate Adjustment. At the prehearing conference, the Hearing Officer will establish the procedural schedule for the rate case, determine party status, and decide other legal matters. The prehearing conference will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the BPA Rates Hearing Room, Room 223, 911 NE. 11th, Portland, Oregon. Interested persons must file petitions to intervene in order to take part in the formal hearing. Petitions are due to the Hearing Officer by 1:00 p.m. on August 24, 1999, and should be directed to the address noted above.

Sincerely,

/s/ Diane Cherry

Diane Cherry
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