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POWER SERVICES

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In reply refer to: PFR-6

To parties interested in Power rates:

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has determined that an event that occurred in November meets the definitions of a Trigger Event, as defined in the General Rate Schedule Provisions (GRSPs) for the 2007 Supplemental Power Rate Case.

On November 7, 2008, BPA entered into a memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes (Tribes), the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Bureau of Reclamation, referred to as the Shoshone-Bannock MOA. Under this MOA, BPA will fund projects implemented by the Tribes for the protection and recovery of fish and wildlife, particularly salmon and steelhead of the Snake River Basin that are listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). BPA's funding commitment is roughly \$61 million over the ten-year term of the MOA, plus a 2.5% inflation adjustment beginning in fiscal year (FY) 2010. The Shoshone-Bannock MOA is an addition to the Columbia Basin Fish Accords (Fish Accords) that BPA entered into with four other Columbia River Tribes and two states earlier this year. Like the Fish Accords, the Shoshone-Bannock MOA resolves issues in the litigation over the current Biological Opinion (BiOp) for the Federal Columbia River Power System (FCRPS) and includes actions in support of ESA recovery plans. BPA's Record of Decision regarding the Shoshone-Bannock MOA is available at: www.bpa.gov/corporate/pubs/RODS/2008/. The MOA is available at www.salmonrecovery.gov.

The GRSPs for the 2007 Supplemental Power Rate Case define trigger events for the National Marine Fisheries Service Federal Columbia River Power System Biological Opinion (NFB) Adjustment and the Emergency NFB Surcharge. Trigger events are: (1) A court order in *National Wildlife Federation vs. National Marine Fisheries Service*, CV 01-640-RE, or any other case filed regarding a NMFS-issued FCRPS BiOp, or any appeal thereof ("Litigation"); (2) An agreement (whether or not approved by the Court) that results in the resolution of issues in, or the withdrawal of parties from, the Litigation; (3) A new NMFS FCRPS BiOp; or (4) A BPA commitment to implement Recovery Plans under the ESA that results in the resolution of issues in, or the withdrawal of parties from, the Litigation.

As required by the GRSPs, BPA is posting this notification of this Trigger Event on its Web site. At this point, BPA is not required to calculate the financial impact of the Trigger Event described above.

If you have any questions, please contact your Power Account Executive, Constituent Account Executive or Tribal Account Executive. You also may contact Lydia Grimm in the Office of General Counsel at (503) 230-3528 or by email at ltgrimm@bpa.gov.

Sincerely,

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