

Department of Energy

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Dear Interested Parties:

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has completed the 9(c) study and developed a methodology for evaluating non-hydro resources. The 9(c) study describes a methodology intended to estimate the fully allocated cost of existing resources and identifies the region's marginal resource and its expected cost for the FY2002-2006 period.

Currently, BPA has not made a categorical exclusion of any resource type. BPA will make a determination whether a resource can be conserved or otherwise retained to serve regional load at the time a Pacific Northwest utility proposes to export a resource.

If you would like a copy of the 9(c) study, please contact Spencer Wedlund at 503-230-5051 or the BPA Public Information Center at 800-622-4520.

Sincerely,

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