



Department of Energy

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September 28, 2009

In reply refer to: DK-7

Dan Seligman
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RE: FOIA #09-050

Dear Mr. Seligman:

This letter is your final response to your request for information that you made to Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552.

You requested the following:

A copy of all communications since January 1, 2009, between BPA and U. S. Department of Energy regarding BPA's existing or proposed contracts with Alcoa and Columbia Falls Aluminum Co. ("CFAC").

Response:

BPA has provided the responsive documents with non-responsive information redacted prior to release. There is no charge for your request.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Laura M. Atterbury, at 503-230-7305.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christina J. Brannon

Christina J. Brannon
Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer

Enclosure(s): Responsive documents



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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

January 7, 2009

In reply refer to:

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

FROM: Stephen J. Wright
Administrator and Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: 30-60-90 Day Report

January
Next 30 Days

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Alcoa Contract Proposal: In January, BPA may enter into a power sales contract with Alcoa to serve its aluminum smelter in Ferndale, Washington. Public comment on a proposed framework for such a contract was completed in November and on the provisions of the contract in December.

No Secretarial action requested at this time.

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

February
Next 60 Days

Non-Responsive

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Non-Responsive

March
Next 90 Days

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

DOE WEEKLY REPORT
JULY 22, 2009
BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION

I. This Week's Accomplishment

Aluminum Smelter Service Contracts: The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and two aluminum direct service industries have finished negotiating terms for drafting a long-term service contract. BPA is releasing for public review and comment two separate options for the terms of potential new service to Alcoa, Inc., for its plant in Washington State that employs over 500 workers, and Columbia Falls Aluminum Company for its plant in Montana that employs over 80 workers. Both term sheets reflect a proposed power sale at the Industrial Firm Power rate that is sufficient to meet a portion of the smelters' loads. The proposed power sales would begin October 1, 2009, and extend through either September 30, 2013, or September 30, 2016, depending on the option selected.

Non-Responsive

II. Program Focus for the Week Ahead, includes Major Projects and Initiatives

Non-Responsive

III. Public Events/Meetings

IV. Recovery Plan

V. Reform-Based Actions

VI. Meetings/Events

July 28 - 31:

August 3 - 5:

Non-Responsive

VII. Potential or Expected Press Stories

Non-Responsive

VIII. Legislative Activity

IX. Senior Personnel Announcements

X. Issues for Attention



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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

August 5, 2009

In reply refer to: DKR-7

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

FROM: Stephen J. Wright
Administrator and Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: 30-60-90 Day Report

August
Next 30 Days

Non-Responsive

September
Next 60 Days

Non-Responsive

Aluminum Smelter Service Contracts: In September, BPA expects to make a final decision on power sale contracts to two aluminum smelters. BPA has released for public review and comment a proposal for the terms of potential new service to Alcoa, Inc., for its plant in Washington State that employs over 500 workers, and Columbia Falls Aluminum Company for its plant in Montana that employs over 80 workers. The proposal is for power sales at the Industrial Firm Power rate that is sufficient to meet a portion of the smelters' loads. The proposed power sales would begin October 1, 2009, and extend September 30, 2016.

No Secretarial action requested at this time.

October
Next 90 Days

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

DOE WEEKLY REPORT
AUGUST 12, 2009
BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION

I. This Week's Accomplishment

Non-Responsive

II. Program Focus for the Week Ahead, includes Major Projects and Initiatives

Non-Responsive

Ninth Circuit Denies Rehearing, Provides Some Clarifications on Opinion: The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has denied BPA's Petition for Rehearing on BPA's decision to provide service to its Direct Service Industrial (DSI) aluminum company customers. The Court's December 2008 Opinion affirmed BPA's authority to serve the DSIs, but invalidated certain rate provisions of the DSI contracts. BPA did not petition for a change in the outcome of that Opinion; rather, it asked for some specific clarifications to the legal reasoning. The Court provided some of the requested clarifications and BPA expects a pending appeal before the Ninth Circuit to further clarify the Court's position. Both lawsuits were brought by several BPA customer groups.

Non-Responsive

III. Public Events/Meetings

IV. Recovery Plan

Non-Responsive

V. Reform-Based Actions

VI. Meetings/Events

Non-Responsive

August 17 – 21, 24, 25, and 28:

VII. Potential or Expected Press Stories

Non-Responsive

VIII. Legislative Activity

IX. Senior Personnel Announcements

X. Issues for Attention



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EX-113 (11/01/01)

September 2, 2009

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FROM: Stephen J. Wright
Administrator and Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: 30 60-90 Day Report

September
Next 30 Days

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Aluminum Smelter Service Contracts: In September, BPA expects to make a final decision on offering a power sale contract to Alcoa, Inc., for its plant in Washington State that employs over 500 workers. BPA released for public comment a draft contract on August 20 and is accepting comment through September 9. Though the draft contract was negotiated with Alcoa, the Columbia Falls Aluminum Company could be offered service under a similar contract. The proposed power sales would begin October 1, 2009, and extend through September 30, 2016.

No Secretarial action requested at this time.

October
Next 60 Days

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

Non-Responsive

November
Next 90 Days