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To Parties Interested in BPA's Long-Term Regional Dialogue and 5(b)/9(c) Policy:

BPA has issued its Revised Policy on Determining Net Requirements of Pacific Northwest Utility Customers Under Sections 5(b)(1) and 9(c) of the Northwest Power Act (Revised 5(b)/9(c) Policy) and associated Record of Decision (ROD).

In July 2007, the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) released its Long-Term Regional Dialogue Final Policy (RD Policy) and Record of Decision (ROD). Section II.B.8 of the RD Policy proposed specific, related changes to BPA's May 2000 Policy on Determining Net Requirements Under Sections 5(b)(1) and 9(c) of the Northwest Power Act (5(b)/9(c) Policy) that BPA identified as necessary for the successful implementation of the RD Policy.

BPA provided public notice of a limited-scope review of its 5(b)/9(c) Policy for the purpose of supporting the implementation of the RD Policy. Proposed changes were addressed in BPA's 2008 Proposal for Modifications to BPA's Policy on Determining Net Requirements Under Sections 5(b) and 9(c) of the Northwest Power Act (Proposed Modifications).

BPA opened a 2-week public comment period on September 12, 2008, on the Proposed Modifications. Six comments were received and are posted on BPA's Web site at <http://www.bpa.gov/applications/publiccomments/CommentList.aspx?ID=46>. BPA has reviewed and considered each comment. These comments are addressed in the 5(b)/9(c) ROD.

The Revised 5(b)/9(c) Policy and associated ROD are available on the BPA Web site at <http://www.bpa.gov/power/pl/regionaldialogue/implementation/documents/>.

If you have any questions, please contact your Power Account Executive, Constituent Account Executive or Tribal Account Executive.

Sincerely,

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