

# Categorical Exclusion Determination

Bonneville Power Administration  
Department of Energy



**Proposed Action:** Amended and Restated Firm Power Sales Agreement with Port Townsend Paper Corporation

**Project Manager:** Mark Miller, Customer Account Executive – PTL-5

**Location:** Jefferson County, Washington

**Categorical Exclusion Applied (from Subpart D, 10 C.F.R. Part 1021):** A2 – Clarifying or administrative contract actions

**Description of the Proposed Action:** Bonneville proposes to enter into an amended and restated firm power sales agreement with Port Townsend Paper Corporation, an existing direct-service-industry customer currently receiving power from Bonneville under an existing long-term power sales agreement. The purpose of the proposed amended and restated agreement is to consolidate all prior amendments under a single contract, clarify and update existing contract terms, and extend the existing term of agreement by six years: from September 30, 2022, to September 30, 2028. As such, the proposed contract action is administrative in nature and would not result in reasonably foreseeable environmental effects.

**Findings:** In accordance with Section 1021.410(b) of the Department of Energy's (DOE) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Regulations (57 FR 15144, Apr. 24, 1992, as amended at 61 FR 36221-36243, Jul. 9, 1996; 61 FR 64608, Dec. 6, 1996, 76 FR 63764, Nov. 14, 2011), BPA has determined that the proposed action:

- (1) fits within a class of actions listed in Appendix A of 10 CFR 1021, Subpart D;
- (2) does not present any extraordinary circumstances that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal; and
- (3) has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion.

Based on these determinations, Bonneville finds that the proposed action is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

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Concur:

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Date