Fiscal Year 2021 Net Requirement Determination and Response to Comments

September 30, 2020

On July 30th, 2020 the Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville) published the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 actual and FY 2021 forecast of Total Retail Load (TRL) and Dedicated Resource data for its preference power Slice/Block and Block customers. Bonneville opened a public comment period to all customers and interested parties on the Net Requirements process, as specified in Bonneville's 2007 Long-Term Regional Dialogue Final Policy and section 17.7 of the Regional Dialogue Contract High Water Mark Contract. Bonneville noted that it would describe any changes from these initially published data, which are used to calculate Slice/Block and Block customers' Net Requirements for FY 2021. Bonneville received two comments.

Snohomish County Public Utility District (Snohomish PUD) submitted a comment requesting a forecast change based on updates to its forecasted TRL. Bonneville consulted with Snohomish PUD and agreed to use its updated values. Snohomish PUD's TRL was revised from 740.654 aMW to 741.103 aMW. Snohomish PUD's Net Requirement was not affected by the forecast change due to Resource Removal.

Tacoma Power submitted a comment regarding concerns about a forecasted possible New Large Single Load. Tacoma Power's FY2021 Net Requirement was not affected by this matter. Bonneville staff consulted with Tacoma Power. Bonneville is committed to working with Tacoma Power to add a provision to Tacoma Power's Regional Dialogue Contract to resolve concerns around the treatment of the load in future forecasts and Net Requirement calculations.

Additionally, Bonneville staff identified peak forecast corrections for Cowlitz PUD and Grays Harbor PUD. The peak forecast corrections did not result in a change to either customer's Net Requirement.