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Subject: Fiscal Year 2024 Net Requirements Determination and Response to Comments

To: Bonneville customers, stakeholders, and interested parties

Bonneville published the FY2024 Net Requirements public notice and determinations of customers' Total Retail Load and Dedicated Resource data on August 1<sup>st</sup>. The comment period closed on August 14. Bonneville did not receive any comments.

Bonneville reopened the FY2024 Net Requirements comment period on September 5<sup>th</sup> to provide an opportunity for customers with load forecast uncertainty to provide forecast revisions. The second FY2024 Net Requirements comment period closed on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Bonneville received comments from Tacoma Power, Northwest Requirements Utilities, Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative, and the Public Power Council.

Tacoma Power provided a chronology of events and potential future operating scenarios for their retail customer. Tacoma Power expressed their interest in working with Bonneville to reach an agreement on a reasonable load forecast. Tacoma Power did not support using liquidated damages to address load uncertainty.

Northwest Requirements Utilities and the Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative supported Bonneville's efforts to establish a reasonable forecast in consideration of new information regarding retail load served by Tacoma Power.

The Public Power Council expressed concerns regarding the notification process for the comment period and the limited information that Bonneville provided in the public notice.

Tacoma Power provided Bonneville with a revised forecast that includes a 5.5% annual decrease in Tacoma Power's Total Retail Load.

Bonneville staff identified a correction to the peak forecast for Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowlitz County.

Bonneville will endeavor to provide more clarity in future Net Requirements comment period notices. Bonneville will take measures to ensure that communications regarding Net Requirements comment periods are widely disseminated to our stakeholders.

Revised total retail load energy and peak forecasts are published in the FY2024 Net Requirements Transparency section available at [Regional Dialogue - Bonneville Power Administration \(bpa.gov\)](#)