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## **To Regional Customers and Interested Parties:**

Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville) is announcing the completion of the BP-24 Rate Period High Water Mark (RHWM) Process. Consistent with the Tiered Rate Methodology (TRM), Bonneville is posting its determination of values for the upcoming BP-24 Rate Period (FY 2024-2025) for: RHWM Tier 1 System Capability, including RHWM Augmentation; each customer's RHWM; and each customer's Above-RHWM Load. The final determinations can be found on the RHWM Process webpage: <a href="https://www.bpa.gov/energy-and-services/rate-and-tariff-proceedings/rate-period-high-water-mark-process">https://www.bpa.gov/energy-and-services/rate-and-tariff-proceedings/rate-period-high-water-mark-process</a>.

Bonneville engaged customers in a public process from June 2022 through August 2022, with two public comment periods following the two public workshops. Bonneville received 11 comments during the comment periods, all of which related to individual customer load forecasts.

At the workshop in June, Bonneville presented the preliminary Tier 1 System Firm Critical Output (T1SFCO) and RHWM Tier 1 System Capability. Individual customers' RHWM and Above-RHWM Loads were posted following the workshop. BPA's T1SFCO for the BP-24 RHWM Process is based on our newly adopted hydro generation forecast, which uses a 30-year, monthly 10<sup>th</sup> percentile (P10) methodology. The BP-24 T1SFCO increased 325 average megawatts (aMW) from the value for the BP-22 Rate Period.

Bonneville held a final workshop in early August, followed by a 10 business day public comment period pursuant to section 4.2.2 of the TRM. At the August workshop BPA presented the draft final T1SFCO, RHWM Tier 1 System Capability, and the cumulative load change resulting from the public comment period following the June workshop. Individual customers' RHWM and Above-RHWM Loads were posted after the meeting.

During the two comment periods, load forecast modification requests were received from: Kootenai Electric Cooperative, Lewis County PUD, Northern Wasco County PUD, Flathead Electric Cooperative, PNGC (for Okanogan County Electric Cooperative), City of Cheney, Skamania County PUD, PUD No. 1 of Klickitat County, Wells Rural Electric, and Pacific PUD. All customer load forecast change requests were accepted and incorporated into the final determinations. Bonneville also included updates to the City of Burley's forecast in the draft final and final RHWM outputs, based on conversations with the City of Burley.

Bonneville thanks our customers for their comments and engaged presence during the BP-24 RHWM Process, particularly in light of the other workloads impacting regional stakeholders, including multiple other public comment processes.

Sincerely,

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