

Dated: October 16, 1998.

**Elizabeth A. Moler,**  
Deputy Secretary.

This rate was established pursuant to section 302(a) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7152(a)), through which the power marketing functions of the Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Reclamation under the Reclamation Act of 1902 (43 U.S.C. 371 *et seq.*), as amended and supplemented by subsequent enactments, particularly section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h(c)), were transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy (Secretary).

By Amendment No. 3 to Delegation Order No. 0204-108, published November 10, 1993 (58 FR 59716), the Secretary delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration (Western); (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary of Energy; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). This rate extension is issued pursuant to the Delegation Order and the Department of Energy rate extension procedures at 10 CFR part 903.

## BACKGROUND

In the order issued July 14, 1994, in Docket No. EF94-5181-000 at 68 FERC ¶ 62,040, FERC confirmed, approved, and placed into effect on a final basis the firm electric service rate for the Loveland Area Projects (LAP), Rate Order No. WAPA-51. The rate was approved for the period from February 1, 1994, through January 31, 1999.

## Discussion

The LAP consists of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Western Division and the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project. The LAP existing rate is \$2.85/kilowattmonth for capacity and 10.85 mills/kilowatt-hour for energy. The existing rate is sufficient to recover project expenses (including interest) and capital requirements through January 31, 2001. Increased revenue from good hydrologic conditions and lower operation and maintenance expenses over the cost-evaluation period have made this possible. For the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, the ratesetting study projected the deficit to peak at \$178 million in fiscal year (FY) 1994 and to be repaid in FY 2002. The

deficit actually peaked at \$171 million in FY 1993 and was totally repaid in FY 1997. The Fryingpan-Arkansas Project recorded its first principal payment of \$2.8 million on the investment in FY 1996. In FY 1997, the principal payment for this project was \$2.9 million. No principal payments were projected during this time period in Docket No. EF94-5181-000. The total revenue requirement of \$44.3 million is sufficient to cover the expenses and capital requirements through January 31, 2001.

In accordance with 10 CFR 903.23(a)(2), Western did not have a consultation and comment period. The notice of an extension of the firm electric service rate was published in the **Federal Register** on August 18, 1998. Western is submitting the notice of rate order 30 days after that publication.

## Order

In view of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Secretary, I hereby extend for the period effective February 1, 1999, through January 31, 2001, the existing Rate Schedule L-F4 for the firm electric service rate for the Loveland Area Projects.

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**Elizabeth A. Moler,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Western Area Power Administration

#### Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program—Eastern Division—Notice of Order Confirming and Approving an Extension of the Firm Power Service and Firm Peaking Power Service Rates for Rate Order No. WAPA-83

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of rate order.

**SUMMARY:** This action is to extend the existing Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program-Eastern Division (P-SMBP-ED) firm power service and firm peaking power service rates, Rate Order No. WAPA-60, through January 31, 2001. The existing firm power service and firm peaking power service rates will expire January 31, 1999. This notice of an extension of rates is issued pursuant to 10 CFR 903.23. Rate Order No. WAPA-60 is extended under Rate Order No. WAPA-83.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert F. Riehl, Rates Manager, Upper Great Plains Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, PO Box 35800, Billings, MT 59107-5800, telephone (406) 247-7388, or e-mail (riehl@wapa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** By Amendment No. 3 to Delegation Order No. 0204-108, published November 10, 1993 (58 FR 59716), the Secretary of Energy delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration (Western); (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary of Energy; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Pursuant to Delegation Order No. 0204-108 and existing Department of Energy procedures for public participation in power rate adjustments at 10 CFR part 903, Western's P-SMBP-ED firm power service and firm peaking power service rates were submitted to FERC for confirmation and approval on January 20, 1994. On July 14, 1994, in Docket No. EF94-5031-000 at 68 FERC ¶ 62,040, FERC issued an order confirming, approving, and placing into effect on a final basis the firm power service and firm peaking power service rates for the P-SMBP-ED. The rates, Rate Order No. WAPA-60, were approved for the 5-year period beginning February 1, 1994, and ending January 31, 1999.

Western proposed to extend the existing rate of \$3.20/kilowattmonth for capacity and the rate of 8.32 mills/kilowatt-hour for energy. The existing rates are sufficient to recover project expenses (including interest) and capital requirements through January 31, 2001. Increased revenue from good hydrologic conditions and lower operation and maintenance expenses over the cost-evaluation period have made this possible. For the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, the ratesetting study projected the deficit to peak at \$178 million in fiscal year (FY) 1994 and to be repaid in FY 2002. The deficit actually peaked at \$171 million in FY 1993 and was totally repaid in FY 1997. The total revenue requirement of \$135.2 million is sufficient to cover the expenses and capital requirements through January 31, 2001. Western, therefore, has decided to extend the

existing rates pursuant to 10 CFR 903.23.

In accordance with 10 CFR 903.23(a)(2), Western did not have a consultation and comment period. The notice of an extension of the firm power service and firm peaking power service rates was published in the **Federal Register** on August 18, 1998. Western is submitting the notice of rate order 30 days after that publication.

Following review of Western's proposal within the Department of Energy, I approved Rate Order No. WAPA-83, which extends the existing P-SMBP-ED firm power service and firm peaking power service Rate Schedules P-SED-F6 and P-SED-FP6 on an interim basis through January 31, 2001.

Dated: October 16, 1998.

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By Amendment No. 3 to Delegation Order No. 0204-108, published November 10, 1993 (58 FR 59716), the Secretary delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration (Western); (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary of Energy; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). This rate extension is issued pursuant to the Delegation Order and the Department of Energy rate extension procedures at 10 CFR part 903.

### Background

In the order issued July 14, 1994, in Docket No. EF94-5031-000 at 68 FERC ¶ 62,040, FERC confirmed, approved, and placed in effect on a final basis the firm power service and firm peaking power service rates for the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program-Eastern Division, Rate Order No. WAPA-60. The rates were approved for the period

from February 1, 1994, through January 31, 1999.

### Discussion

The existing Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program-Eastern Division (P-SMBP-ED) rate is \$3.20/kilowattmonth for capacity and 8.32 mills/kilowatthour for energy. The existing rates are sufficient to recover project expenses (including interest) and capital requirements through January 31, 2001. Increased revenue from good hydrologic conditions and lower operation and maintenance expenses over the cost-evaluation period have made this possible. For the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, the ratesetting study projected the deficit to peak at \$178 million in fiscal year (FY) 1994 and to be repaid in FY 2002. The deficit actually peaked at \$171 million in FY 1993 and was totally repaid in FY 1997. The total revenue requirement of \$135.2 million is sufficient to cover the expenses and capital requirements through January 31, 2001.

In accordance with 10 CFR 903.23(a)(2), Western did not have a consultation and comment period. The notice of an extension of the firm power service and firm peaking power service rates was published in the **Federal Register** on August 18, 1998. Western is submitting the notice of rate order 30 days after that publication.

### Order

In view of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Secretary, I hereby extend for a period effective February 1, 1999, through January 31, 2001, the existing Rate Schedules P-SED-F6 for firm power service and P-SED-FP6 for firm peaking power service for the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program-Eastern Division.

Dated: October 16, 1998.

**Elizabeth A. Moler,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6181-9]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Survey of the Chlorinated Aliphatics Industry

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Survey of the Chlorinated Aliphatics Industry. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before November 30, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm>, or by e-mail at [farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov), and refer to EPA ICR No. 1866.01.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Survey of the Chlorinated Aliphatics (EPA ICR No. 1866.01). This is a new collection.

**Abstract:** Under the Industry Studies Program, EPA's Office of Solid Waste is planning to conduct surveys of various industries during the rest of this fiscal year through FY 2000, primarily for the purpose of developing hazardous waste listing determinations as part of a rulemaking effort under sections 3001 and 3004 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Information collected under authority of this ICR specifically will be used to establish and expand an information data base with regard to hazardous waste generation and management by industry to support a goal of more effective regulation under sections 3001 and 3004 of RCRA.

The information acquired through the Industry Studies Program has contributed to the effective development and implementation of the hazardous waste regulatory program. The ICR, once approved, will allow continued and expanded data collection for the following program areas:

- Listing
- Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) and Capacity
- Source Reduction and Recycling
- Risk Assessment

To support these hazardous waste program areas, EPA has been conducting surveys and site visits for the chlorinated aliphatics industry since 1992 under authority granted under RCRA section 3007 and OMB #2050-0042. Responses to the surveys were received and site visits conducted in early 1993 to collect data for development of hazardous waste rulemakings as required by a consent decree signed December 9, 1994, which resulted from the *EDF v. Reilly* case.