

protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

r. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title “COMMENTS”, “NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION”, “COMPETING APPLICATION”, “PROTEST”, “MOTION TO INTERVENE”, as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission’s regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

s. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency’s comments must also be sent to the Applicant’s representatives.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Change of Commission Meeting Dates for 2002

August 2, 2002.

The Chairman has approved a change to the public meeting schedule for September through December 2002. The change consists of an additional public meeting scheduled for September 5, 2002. Accordingly, the revised schedule for public meetings for September through December 2002 is as follows:

Thursday, September 5, 2002
Wednesday, September 18, 2002
Wednesday, October 9, 2002
Wednesday, October 30, 2002
Wednesday, November 20, 2002

Wednesday, December 18, 2002

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina Rates, Rate Order No. SEPA-41

AGENCY: Southeastern Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of Rate Order.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Department of Energy, confirmed and approved, on an interim basis, Rate Schedules SOCO-1-A, SOCO-2-A, SOCO-3-A, SOCO-4-A, ALA-1-J, MISS-1-J, Duke-1-A, Duke-2-A, Duke-3-A, Duke-4-A, Santee-1-A, Santee-2-A, Santee-3-A, Santee-4, SCE&G-1-A, SCE&G-2-A, SCE&G-3-A, SCE&G-4-A, Regulation-1, Replacement-1, Pump-1-A, and Pump-2. The rates were approved on an interim basis through September 30, 2007, and are subject to confirmation and approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on a final basis.

DATES: Approval of rate on an interim basis is effective through September 30, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, by Order issued February 26, 1999, in Docket No. EF98-3011-000, confirmed and approved Wholesale Power Rate Schedules SOCO-1, SOCO-2, SOCO-3, SOCO-4, ALA-1-I, MISS-1-I, Duke-1, Duke-2, Duke-3, Duke-4, Santee-1, Santee-2, Santee-3, Santee-4, SCE&G-1, SCE&G-2, SCE&G-3, SCE&G-4, and Pump-1. On April 23, 1999, in Docket No. EF98-3011-001, the Commission issued an order granting rehearing for further consideration. On July 31, 2001, in the same docket number, the Commission issued an order denying rehearing. Rate schedules SOCO-1-A, SOCO-2-A, SOCO-3-A, SOCO-4-A, ALA-1-J, MISS-1-J, Duke-1-A, Duke-2-A, Duke-3-A, Duke-4-A, Santee-1-A, Santee-2-A, Santee-3-A, Santee-4-A, SCE&G-1-A, SCE&G-2-A, SCE&G-3-A, SCE&G-4-A, Regulation-1, Replacement-1, Pump-1-A, and Pump-2 replace these schedules.

Dated: July 25, 2002.

Spencer Abraham,
Secretary.

Order Confirming and Approving Power Rates on an Interim Basis

Pursuant to Sections 302(a) and 301(b) of the Department of Energy Organization Act, Public Law 95-91, the functions of the Secretary of the Interior and the Federal Power Commission under section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944, 16 U.S.C. 825s, relating to the Southeastern Power Administration (Southeastern) were transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy. By Delegation Order No. 0204-108, effective May 30, 1986, 51 FR 19744 (May 30, 1986), the Secretary of Energy delegated to the Administrator the authority to develop power and transmission rates, and delegated to the Under Secretary the authority to confirm, approve, and place in effect such rates on an interim basis and delegated to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) the authority to confirm and approve on a final basis or to disapprove rates developed by the Administrator under the delegation. On December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy issued Delegation Order No. 00-001.00, granting the Deputy Secretary authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect Southeastern’s rates on an interim basis. Because there is no Deputy Secretary at the present time, the Secretary of Energy has exercised his authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on an interim basis the rate schedules in Southeastern Rate Order No. 41.

Background

Power from the Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System is presently sold under Wholesale Power Rate Schedules SOCO-1, SOCO-2, SOCO-3, SOCO-4, ALA-1-I, MISS-1-I, Duke-1, Duke-2, Duke-3, Duke-4, Santee-1, Santee-2, Santee-3, Santee-4, SCE&G-1, SCE&G-2, SCE&G-3, SCE&G-4, and Pump-1. These rate schedules were approved by the FERC on February 26, 1999, for a period ending September 30, 2003 (93 FERC 62100).

Public Notice and Comment

Notice of proposed rate adjustment was published in the **Federal Register** March 13, 2002 (67 FR 11325). In the notice, SEPA proposed four rate alternatives for public comment. SEPA proposed two rate alternatives that would continue the current rate design that included estimated purchases of replacement energy in the capacity and energy charges from SEPA. These were

designated "Scenario 1A" and "Scenario 1B." In addition, SEPA proposed two rate alternatives that included a direct pass through of replacement energy costs. These were designated "Scenario 2A" and "Scenario 2B." Under version "A" of each of the two alternatives, 70 percent of the generation costs were recovered from capacity sales and 30 percent were recovered from energy sales. Under version "B" of each of the two alternatives, 85 percent of the generation costs were recovered from capacity sales and 15 percent were recovered from energy sales.

The notice advised interested parties of a public information and comment forum to be held in Atlanta, Georgia on April 18, 2002. Written comments were accepted on or before June 11, 2002. The following is a summary of the comments:

Staff Evaluation of Public Comments

Written comments were received from nine sources pursuant to this notice. Eight of the sources specified a preference with regards to the distribution of generation costs between capacity and energy. There was no unanimity in preference for the either of the proposed versions (70/30 or 85/15). Most comments did support some movement towards recovering more costs from capacity sales. SEPA is therefore proposing a division of 75 percent to capacity and 25 percent.

The following are additional comments received on or before the June 11, 2002 deadline. SEPA's response follows each comment.

Comment 1: SEPA will establish a Apass-through@ charge for replacement energy. With this change in the rate structure, the Customers will pay for their ratable share of replacement energy in the billing month in which replacement energy is purchased by SEPA. The SeFPC supports this approach, cognizant that it follows the statutory mandate to set rate schedules to allow for the lowest possible costs consistent with sound business principles.

Response 1: SEPA will forward the proposed rate schedule for replacement energy, Replacement-1, to the Deputy Secretary with a request for interim approval.

Comment 2: The Southeastern Federal Power Customers (SeFPC) remains concerned regarding the increase in operation and maintenance (AO&M@) expenses for the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). The repayment study assumes an increase from \$32,836,000 in fiscal year 2002 to \$35,177,000 for fiscal year 2005. The SeFPC believes

that this number merits further investigation by SEPA. The SeFPC does not understand why there is an increase for the Corps O&M expense.

Response 2: Actual Corps O&M expenses were \$31,735,000 in 1998, \$29,090,000 in 1999, \$36,692,000 in 2000, and \$34,200,000 in 2001, which is an average compound increase of 1.9% per year. Estimated Corps O&M is \$32,836,000 in 2002, \$33,654,000 in 2003, \$34,715,000 in 2004, and \$35,177,000 in 2005 through the end of the study, which is an average compound increase of 1.7% per year for the 2002-2005 period. Should these estimates prove to be higher than the actual costs incurred, SEPA's repayment of investment will be greater than anticipated, which will reduce the impact on the next rate adjustment for the system. Should these estimates prove to be too low, SEPA may be required to adjust rates earlier than this filing anticipates. SEPA believes that the estimates provided by the Corps are reasonable. SEPA will work with the Corps and the customers in an effort to reduce O&M expenses charged to power in the Southeastern Federal Power Program.

Comment 3: The SeFPC reminds SEPA that the amount included in rates for renewals and replacements has exceeded the amount appropriated by Congress for renewals and replacements by \$124 million.

Response 3: The amount listed represents all of SEPA's four repayment systems. The amount for the Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System is \$39 million. SEPA will work with the Corps to assure the accuracy of projected replacements.

Comment 4: The SeFPC supports the current decision by SEPA not to include costs for the Russell Pumped Storage Units in this rate increase.

Response 4: The Russell Pump Storage units have not been included in these proposed rates.

Comment 5: SEPA has proposed a pass-through mechanism to recover replacement energy costs. Removal of those costs from the charges that recover generation costs results in an effective shift of about two percentage points of generation costs from a capacity charge to an energy charge. Because both of these changes [pass-through recovery of replacement energy and an increase in the percentage of generation costs recovered from capacity] increase revenue stability, it would seem sufficient to implement only one change at this time to stabilize SEPA's revenue as it seeks to respond to the need to provide greater assurance that it will meet its repayment obligations on a

more regular basis. Oglethorpe suggests that SEPA consider implementing only one change [in rate design] to provide an opportunity to determine whether that change is sufficient to provide the revenue stability to assure that [SEPA] will meet its repayment obligation.

Response 5: Replacement energy costs are estimated to average \$3.2 million per year. Based on this estimate, the comment that this has shifted about two percentage points of generation costs from a capacity charge to an energy charge is accurate. However, there is considerable variation in the actual replacement energy costs associated with this estimate. In an average water year, SEPA will not purchase replacement energy. In a poor water year, replacement energy costs have been as high as \$16 million. By recovering replacement energy costs from energy effectively shifts considerable risk of cost fluctuations to energy customers. SEPA believes that this justifies a shift of more than two percent of generation costs from energy to capacity to compensate.

Comment 6: Oglethorpe is concerned about the methodology used to calculate the generation services charge. SEPA has set rates for certain ancillary services based on Southern Company's Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). Because SEPA pays Southern Company a flat fee for all ancillary services, SEPA has arbitrarily assumed that reductions in the OATT charges for certain ancillary services were offset by increases in the cost of all other ancillary services purchased by the flat fee. SEPA should reconsider the cost allocation of this flat fee to recognize that its costs were not reduced as a result of reductions in the OATT rate for ancillary services.

Response 6: The Generation Services charge is to recover the cost of ancillary services charged by the Southern Company. SEPA pays Southern Company \$4,428,000 annually for ancillary services as part of a negotiated contract for services. SEPA charges affected customers for Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Services, Reactive Supply and Voltage Control from Generation Sources Services, and Regulation and Frequency Response Services at Southern Company's current OATT rate for these services. Any portion of Southern Company's annual charge for ancillary services not recovered through the above three charges is recovered through a Generation Services charge. The Generation Services charge is charged to all customers of the Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System.

When Southern Company updates the OATT rates for the three ancillary services listed above, SEPA updates these rates for the affected customers. However, as a result of a negotiated ancillary services charge between SEPA and Southern Company, SEPA does not pay the filed OATT rates, this requires a change in the Generation Services charge.

SEPA established this process with rates that were proposed in 1998. SEPA is proposing to continue this process with these proposed rates. In 1998, SEPA anticipated that the \$4,428,000 negotiated ancillary services charge would be replaced with an "unbundled" arrangement. SEPA established the design of the generation services charge in anticipation of this unbundling. As such, SEPA does not believe it is appropriate to refer to the rate design as arbitrary.

SEPA continues to anticipate that the negotiated ancillary services charge will be replaced with an unbundled arrangement. The timing of this change is uncertain. However, SEPA believes it is appropriate to continue to pass through any changes in Southern Company's ancillary services to the affected customers when Southern Company adjusts these rates.

Comment 7: SEPA has suggested that it might be able to convert some must run energy into energy that [South Mississippi Electric Power Association (SMEPA) and Alabama Electric Cooperative (AEC)] could schedule during peak hours through a pumping conversion factor. At this time, (SMEPA and AEC are) interested in pursuing this arrangement.

Response 7: SEPA can use must run energy for pumping operations at the Carters, and, if it comes on-line, the Richard B. Russell projects. This would replace pumping energy that SEPA would otherwise purchase. This energy would then become part of the customer's minimum energy. The total energy delivered to the customer would be reduced. SEPA will propose a new rate schedule, Pump-2, to allow customers who elect to allow SEPA to use their must run energy for pumping to receive this energy on-peak at a lower rate than other energy from pumping.

Discussion

System Repayment

An examination of Southeastern's revised system power repayment study, prepared in July, 2002, for the Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System, shows that with the proposed rates, all system power costs are paid within the 50-year repayment period required by existing

law and DOE Procedure RA 6120.2. The Administrator of Southeastern has certified that the rates are consistent with applicable law and that they are the lowest possible rates to customers consistent with sound business principles.

Environmental Impact

Southeastern has reviewed the possible environmental impacts of the rate adjustment under consideration and has concluded that, because the adjusted rates would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the proposed action is not a major Federal action for which preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is required.

Availability of Information

Information regarding these rates, including studies, and other supporting materials is available for public review in the offices of Southeastern Power Administration, 1166 Athens Tech Road, Elberton, Georgia 30635-6711.

Submission to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

The rates hereinafter confirmed and approved on an interim basis, together with supporting documents, will be submitted promptly to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for confirmation and approval on a final basis for a period beginning October 1, 2002, and ending no later than September 30, 2007.

Order

In view of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Secretary of Energy, I hereby confirm and approve on an interim basis, effective October 1, 2007, attached Wholesale Power Rate Schedules SOCO-1-A, SOCO-2-A, SOCO-3-A, SOCO-4-A, ALA-1-J, MISS-1-J, Duke-1-A, Duke-2-A, Duke-3-A, Duke-4-A, Santee-1-A, Santee-2-A, Santee-3-A, Santee-4-A, SCE&G-1-A, SCE&G-2-A, SCE&G-3-A, SCE&G-4-A, Regulation-1, Replacement-1, Pump-1-A, and Pump-2. The rate schedules shall remain in effect on an interim basis through September 30, 2007, unless such period is extended or until the FERC confirms and approves them or substitute rate schedules on a final basis.

Dated: July 25, 2002.

Spencer Abraham,
Secretary.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule SOCO-1-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida to whom power may be transmitted and scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and Southern Company Services, Incorporated (hereinafter called the Company) and the Customer. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Company's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge

\$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge

6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services

\$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal

Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission

\$1.51 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial transmission charge will be the Customer's ratable share of the Transmission and Distribution Charges paid by the Government. The initial monthly transmission demand charge shall be determined by multiplying the Government's Load Ratio Share time one twelfth ($\frac{1}{12}$) of Southern Companies' Annual Transmission Costs as specified in Schedule 1 of the Government-Company Contract. The transmission charges are governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). The distribution charges may be modified by FERC pursuant to application by the Company under section 205 of the Federal Power Act or the Government under section 206 of the Federal Power Act.

Proceedings before FERC involving the OATT or the Distribution charge may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Service: \$0.0806 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Reactive Supply and Voltage Control from Generation Sources Service: \$0.11 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Regulation and Frequency Response Service: \$0.0483 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services

The charges for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services shall be governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in the proceeding involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Company's system. Applicable energy losses are as follows:

Transmission facilities, 3.0%
Distribution Substations, 0.9%
Distribution Lines, 2.25%

These losses shall be effective until modified by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, pursuant to application by Southern Companies under section 205 of the Federal Power Act or SEPA under section 206 of the Federal Power Act or otherwise.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule SOCO-2-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida to whom power may be transmitted pursuant to contracts between the Government and Southern Company Services, Incorporated (hereinafter called the Company) and the Customer. The Customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Company's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission: \$1.51 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial transmission charge will be the Customer's ratable share of the Transmission and Distribution Charges paid by the Government. The initial monthly transmission demand charge shall be determined by multiplying the Government's Load Ratio Share time one twelfth ($\frac{1}{12}$) of Southern Companies' Annual Transmission Costs as specified in Schedule 1 of the Government-Company Contract. The transmission charges are governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). The distribution charges may be modified by FERC pursuant to application by the Company under section 205 of the Federal Power Act or the Government under section 206 of the Federal Power Act.

Proceedings before FERC involving the OATT or the Distribution charge may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Reactive Supply and Voltage Control from Generation Sources Service: \$0.11 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services

The charges for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services shall be governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in the proceeding involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Company's system. Applicable energy losses are as follows:

Transmission facilities, 3.0%

Distribution Substations, 0.9%

Distribution Lines, 2.25%

These losses shall be effective until modified by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, pursuant to application by Southern Companies under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act or EPA under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act or otherwise.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule SOCO-3-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida to whom power may be scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and Southern Company Services, Incorporated (hereinafter called the Company) and the Customer. The Customer is responsible for providing a transmission arrangement. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects (hereinafter referred to collectively as the Projects) and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge

\$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Service: \$0.0806 Per Kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Regulation and Frequency Response Service: \$0.0483 Per Kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services

The charges for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services shall be governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in the proceeding involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule SOCO-4-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida served through the transmission facilities of Southern Company Service, Inc. (hereinafter called the Company) or the Georgia Integrated Transmission System. The Customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government and for providing a transmission arrangement. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects (hereinafter referred to collectively as the Projects) and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services

The charges for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services shall be governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in the proceeding involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract that the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule ALA-1-J

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to the Alabama Electric Cooperative, Incorporated (hereinafter called the Cooperative).

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters, and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under contract between the Cooperative and the Government. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be three-phase alternating current at a nominal frequency of 60 Hertz and shall be delivered at the Walter F. George, West Point, and Robert F. Henry Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Southern Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services

The charges for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services shall be governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in the proceeding involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Cooperative and the Cooperative will purchase from the Government those quantities of energy specified by contract as available to the Cooperative for scheduling on a weekly basis.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule MISS-1-J

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to the South Mississippi Electric Power Association (hereinafter called the Customer) to whom power may be wheeled pursuant to contracts between the Government and Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter called AEC).

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be three-phase alternating current at a nominal frequency of 60 Hertz delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on AEC's transmission and distribution system. The voltage of delivery will be maintained within the limits established by the state regulatory commission.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission

\$1.854 per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes. This rate is subject to annual adjustment on January 1, and will be computed subject to the Appendix A attached to the Government-AEC contract.

Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services

The charges for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services shall be governed by and subject to refund based upon the determination in the proceeding involving Southern Companies' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract that the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Cooperative and the Cooperative will purchase from the Government those quantities of energy specified by contract as available to the Cooperative for scheduling on a weekly basis.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Duke-1-A**Availability**

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in North Carolina and South Carolina to whom power may be transmitted and scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and Duke Power Company (hereinafter called the Company) and the Customer. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Company's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission: \$0.93 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial transmission charge will be the Customers' ratable share of the Transmission Distribution Charges paid by the Government. The initial monthly transmission demand charge shall reflect the Government's Load Ratio Share Responsibility. The Load Ratio Share shall be computed each month and shall be the ratio of the Network Load to the average of the Company's Transmission System load for each of the 12 preceding months. The Company's Transmission System Load shall be the load as determined in Section 34.3 of the Company's Pro Forma Open Access Transmission Tariff (the Tariff). The Government shall pay a monthly demand charge which shall be determined by multiplying its Load Ratio Share by $\frac{1}{12}$ of the Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement set forth in Attachment H of the Company's Tariff.

Proceedings before FERC involving the Tariff may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses of three per cent (3%)). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be

allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Company's system. These losses shall be effective until modified by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, pursuant to application by the Company under section 205 of the Federal Power Act or SEPA under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act or otherwise.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Duke-2-A**Availability**

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in North Carolina and South Carolina to whom power may be transmitted pursuant to contracts between the Government and Duke Power Company (hereinafter called the Company) and the Customer. The Customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Company's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission: \$0.93 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial transmission charge will be the Customers' ratable share of the Transmission Distribution Charges paid by the Government. The initial monthly transmission demand charge shall reflect the Government's Load Ratio Share Responsibility. The Load Ratio Share shall be computed each month and shall be the ratio of the Network Load to the average of the Company's Transmission System load for each of the 12 preceding months. The Company's Transmission System Load shall be the load as determined in Section 34.3 of the Company's Pro Forma Open Access Transmission Tariff (the Tariff). The Government shall pay a monthly demand charge which shall be determined by multiplying its Load Ratio Share by $\frac{1}{12}$ of the Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement set forth in Attachment H of the Company's Tariff.

Proceedings before FERC involving the Tariff may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses of three per cent (3%)). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from

the Company's system. These losses shall be effective until modified by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, pursuant to application by the Company under section 205 of the Federal Power Act or SEPA under section 206 of the Federal Power Act or otherwise.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Duke-3-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in North Carolina and South Carolina to whom power may be scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and Duke Power Company (hereinafter called the Company) and the Customer. The Customer is responsible for providing a transmission arrangement. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Savannah River Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this

rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Duke-4-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in North Carolina and South Carolina served through the transmission facilities of Duke Power Company (hereinafter called the Company) and the Customer. The Customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government and for providing a transmission arrangement with the Company. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude modifications to the aforementioned contracts to allow an eligible customer to elect service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Savannah River Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Santee-1-A**Availability**

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina to whom power may be wheeled and scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and South Carolina Public Service Authority (hereinafter called the Authority). Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Authority's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Authority. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Authority's rate.

Transmission: \$1.59 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial transmission rate is subject to annual adjustment on July 1 of each year, and will be computed subject to the formula contained in Appendix A to the Government-Authority Contract.

Proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission involving the Authority's Open Access Transmission Tariff may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is

obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the Authority (less applicable losses of two per cent (2%)). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Authority's system.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Service Interruption

When energy delivery to the Customer's system for the account of the Government is reduced or interrupted, and such reduction or interruption is not due to conditions on the Customer's system, the demand charge for the month shall be appropriately reduced as to kilowatts of such capacity which have been interrupted or reduced for each day in accordance with the following formula:

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Santee-2-A**Availability**

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina to whom power may be wheeled pursuant to contracts between the Government and South Carolina Public Service Authority (hereinafter called the Authority). The customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Authority's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Authority. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Authority's rate.

Transmission: \$1.59 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial transmission rate is subject to annual adjustment on July 1 of each year, and will be computed subject to the formula contained in Appendix A to the Government-Authority Contract.

Proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission involving the Authority's Open Access Transmission Tariff may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract that the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the Authority (less applicable losses of two per cent (2%)). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its

individual delivery points served from the Authority's system.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Service Interruption

When energy delivery to the Customer's system for the account of the Government is reduced or interrupted, and such reduction or interruption is not due to conditions on the Customer's system, the demand charge for the month shall be appropriately reduced as to kilowatts of such capacity which have been interrupted or reduced for each day in accordance with the following formula:

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Santee-3-A**Availability**

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina to whom power may be scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and South Carolina Public Service Authority (hereinafter called the Authority). The customer is responsible for providing a transmission arrangement. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Authority. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Authority's rate.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the Authority (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Service Interruption

When energy delivery to the Customer's system for the account of the Government is reduced or interrupted, and such reduction or interruption is not due to conditions on the Customer's system, the demand charge for the month shall be appropriately reduced as to kilowatts of such capacity which have been interrupted or reduced for each day in accordance with the following formula:

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Santee-4-A**Availability**

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina served through the transmission facilities of South Carolina Public Service Authority (hereinafter called the Authority). The customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government and for providing a transmission arrangement. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Authority. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Authority's rate.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract that the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the Authority (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Service Interruption

When energy delivery to the Customer's system for the account of the

Government is reduced or interrupted, and such reduction or interruption is not due to conditions on the Customer's system, the demand charge for the month shall be appropriately reduced as to kilowatts of such capacity which have been interrupted or reduced for each day in accordance with the following formula:

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule SCE&G-1-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available public bodies and cooperatives (any one of which is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina to whom power may be wheeled and scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (hereinafter called the Company). Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Company's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal

Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission: \$1.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial rate will be subject to monthly adjustment and will be computed subject to Section 7 of the Government-Company contract.

Proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission involving the Company's Open Access Transmission Tariff may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Company's system.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Conditions of Service

The Customer shall at its own expense provide, install, and maintain on its side of each delivery point the equipment necessary to protect and control its own system. In so doing, the installation, adjustment, and setting of all such control and protective equipment at or near the point of delivery shall be coordinated with that which is installed by and at the expense of the Company on its side of the delivery point.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule SCE&G-2-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available public bodies and cooperatives (any one of which is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina to whom

power may be wheeled pursuant to contracts between the Government and the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (hereinafter called the Company). The customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points of the Customer on the Company's transmission and distribution system.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Transmission: \$1.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month as of February 2002 is presented for illustrative purposes.

The initial rate will be subject to monthly adjustment and will be computed subject to Section 7 of the Government-Company contract.

Proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission involving the Company's Open Access Transmission Tariff may result in the separation of charges currently included in the transmission rate. In this event, the

Government may charge the Customer for any and all separate transmission and distribution charges paid by the Government in behalf of the Customer.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Company's system.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Conditions of Service

The Customer shall at its own expense provide, install, and maintain on its side of each delivery point the equipment necessary to protect and control its own system. In so doing, the installation, adjustment, and setting of all such control and protective equipment at or near the point of delivery shall be coordinated with that which is installed by and at the expense of the Company on its side of the delivery point.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule SCE&G-3-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available public bodies and cooperatives (any one of which is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina to whom power may be scheduled pursuant to contracts between the Government and the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (hereinafter called the Company). The customer is responsible for providing a transmission arrangement. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond,

Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract that the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Conditions of Service

The Customer shall at its own expense provide, install, and maintain on its side of each delivery point the equipment necessary to protect and control its own system. In so doing, the installation, adjustment, and setting of all such control and protective

equipment at or near the point of delivery shall be coordinated with that which is installed by and at the expense of the Company on its side of the delivery point.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule

SCE&G-4-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of which is hereinafter called the Customer) in South Carolina served through the transmission facilities of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (hereinafter called the Company). The customer is responsible for providing a scheduling arrangement with the Government and for providing a transmission arrangement. Nothing in this rate schedule shall preclude an eligible customer from electing service under another rate schedule.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale of power and accompanying energy generated at the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This rate schedule does not apply to energy from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects.

Character of Service

The electric capacity and energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Projects.

Monthly Rate

The monthly rate for capacity, energy, and generation services provided under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be:

Capacity Charge: \$3.09 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Energy Charge: 6.39 Mills per kilowatt-hour.

Generation Services: \$0.13 Per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Additional rates for Transmission, System Control, Reactive, and Regulation Services provided under this rate schedule shall be the rates charged Southeastern Power Administration by the Company. Future adjustments to these rates will become effective upon acceptance for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the Company's rate.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract that the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the company (less applicable losses).

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Conditions of Service

The Customer shall at its own expense provide, install, and maintain on its side of each delivery point the equipment necessary to protect and control its own system. In so doing, the installation, adjustment, and setting of all such control and protective equipment at or near the point of delivery shall be coordinated with that which is installed by and at the expense of the Company on its side of the delivery point.

Wholesale Rate Schedule Regulation-1

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, or North Carolina to whom service is provided pursuant to contracts between the government and the customer.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale of regulation services provided from the Allatoona, Buford, J. Strom Thurmond, Walter F. George, Hartwell, Millers Ferry, West Point, Robert F. Henry, Carters, and Richard B. Russell Projects (hereinafter called the Projects) and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer.

Character of Service

The service supplied hereunder will be delivered at the Projects.

Monthly Rate

The rate for service supplied under this rate schedule for the period specified shall be: \$0.05 per kilowatt of total contract demand per month.

Contract Demand

The contract demand is the amount of capacity in kilowatts stated in the contract to which the Government is obligated to supply and the Customer is entitled to receive regulation service.

Billing Month

The billing month for services provided under this schedule shall end at 12 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Replacement-1

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, or North Carolina to whom power is provided pursuant to contracts between the Government and the customer.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale energy purchased to meet contract minimum energy and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer.

Character of Service

The energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points provided for under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer.

Monthly Rate

The rate for energy sold under this rate schedule for the months specified shall be: [computed to the nearest \$0.00001 (1/100 mill) per kWh]; (The weighted average cost of energy for replacement energy divided by one minus losses for delivery.)

Where: The weighted average cost of energy for replacement energy is equal to the cost of replacement energy purchased divided by the replacement energy purchased, net losses.

- = Dollars cost of energy purchased for replacement energy during the specified month, including all direct costs to deliver energy to the project.
- = Kilowatt-hours of energy purchased for replacement energy during the specified month.
- = Energy loss factor for transmission on replacement energy purchased (Expected to be 0 or zero percent.)
- = Weighted average energy loss factor on energy delivered by the facilitator to the customer.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the Facilitator (less any losses required by the Facilitator). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Facilitator's system.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Pump-1-A

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, or North Carolina to whom power is provided pursuant to contracts between the Government and the customer.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale energy generated from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. The energy will be segregated from energy from other pumping operations.

Character of Service

The energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points provided for under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer.

Monthly Rate

The rate for energy sold under this rate schedule for the months specified shall be:

[computed to the nearest \$.00001 (1/100 mill) per kWh]

(The weighted average cost of energy for pumping divided by the energy conversion factor, quantity divided by one minus losses for delivery.)

Where:

(The weighted average cost of energy for pumping for this rate schedule is equal to the cost of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping divided by the total energy for pumping.)

(Cost of energy for pumping for this rate schedule is equal to the cost of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer plus the cost of energy in storage carried over from the month preceding the specified month.)

(Energy for pumping for this rate schedule is equal to the energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer, after losses, plus the energy for pumping in storage as of the end of the month preceding the specified month.)

(Cost of energy in storage is equal to the weighted average cost of energy for pumping for the month preceding the specified month times the energy for pumping in storage at the end of the month preceding the specified month.)

= Dollars cost of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping during the specified month, including all direct costs to deliver energy to the project.

= Kilowatt-hours of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping during the specified month.

= Energy loss factor for transmission on energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping (Expected to be .03 or three percent.)

= Kilowatt-hours of energy in storage as of the end of the month immediately preceding the specified month.

= Weighted average cost of energy for pumping for the month immediately preceding the specified month.

(Weighted average energy conversion factor is equal to the energy generated from pumping divided by the total energy for pumping)

= Energy generated from pumping.

= Weighted average energy loss factor on energy delivered by the facilitator to the customer.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the Facilitator (less any losses required by the Facilitator). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Facilitator's system.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

Wholesale Power Rate Schedule Pump-2

Availability

This rate schedule shall be available to public bodies and cooperatives who provide their own scheduling arrangement and elect to allow Southeastern to use a portion of their allocation for pumping (any one of whom is hereinafter called the Customer) in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, or North Carolina to whom power is provided pursuant to contracts between the Government and the customer.

Applicability

This rate schedule shall be applicable to the sale at wholesale energy generated from pumping operations at the Carters and Richard B. Russell Projects and sold under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer. This energy will be segregated from energy from other pumping operations.

Character of Service

The energy supplied hereunder will be delivered at the delivery points provided for under appropriate contracts between the Government and the Customer.

Monthly Rate

The rate for energy sold under this rate schedule for the months specified shall be:

[computed to the nearest \$.00001 (1/100 mill) per kWh]

(The weighted average cost of energy for pumping divided by the energy conversion factor, quantity divided by one minus losses for delivery.)

Where:

(The weighted average cost of energy for pumping for this rate schedule is equal to the cost of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping divided by the total energy for pumping.)

(Cost of energy for pumping for this rate schedule is equal to the cost of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer plus the cost of energy in storage carried over from the month preceding the specified month.)

(Energy for pumping for this rate schedule is equal to the energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer, after losses, plus the

energy for pumping in storage as of the end of the month preceding the specified month.)

(Cost of energy in storage is equal to the weighted average cost of energy for pumping for the month preceding the specified month times the energy for pumping in storage at the end of the month preceding the specified month.)

- = Dollars cost of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping during the specified month, including all direct costs to deliver energy to the project.
- = Kilowatt-hours of energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping during the specified month.
- = Energy loss factor for transmission on energy purchased or supplied for the benefit of the customer for pumping (Expected to be .03 or three percent.)
- = Kilowatt-hours of energy in storage as of the end of the month immediately preceding the specified month.
- = Weighted average cost of energy for pumping for the month immediately preceding the specified month.

(Weighted average energy conversion factor is equal to the energy generated from pumping divided by the total energy for pumping)

- = Energy generated from pumping.
- = Weighted average energy loss factor on energy delivered by the facilitator to the customer.

Energy To Be Furnished by the Government

The Government will sell to the Customer and the Customer will purchase from the Government energy each billing month equivalent to a percentage specified by contract of the energy made available to the Facilitator (less any losses required by the Facilitator). The Customer's contract demand and accompanying energy will be allocated proportionately to its individual delivery points served from the Facilitator's system.

Billing Month

The billing month for power sold under this schedule shall end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of each calendar month.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Southeastern Power Administration

Jim Woodruff Project Power Rates, Rate Order No. 42

AGENCY: Southeastern Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of rate order.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Department of Energy, confirmed and approved, on an interim basis, Rate Schedules JW-1-G and JW-2-D. The rates were approved on an interim basis through September 19, 2005, and are subject to confirmation and approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on a final basis.

DATES: Approval of rate on an interim basis is effective through September 19, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Leon Jourolmon, Assistant Administrator, Finance & Marketing, Southeastern Power Administration, Department of Energy, 1166 Athens Tech Road, Elberton, Georgia 30635-6711, (706) 213-3800.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, by Order issued November 9, 2000, in Docket No. EF00-3031-000, confirmed and approved Wholesale Power Rate Schedules JW-1-F and JW-2-C. Rate schedules JW-1-G and JW-2-D replace these schedules.

Dated: July 25, 2002.

Spencer Abraham,
Secretary.

Order Confirming and Approving Power Rates on an Interim Basis

Pursuant to Sections 302(a) and 301(b) of the Department of Energy Organization Act, Public Law 95-91, the functions of the Secretary of the Interior and the Federal Power Commission under Section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944, 16 U.S.C. 825s, relating to the Southeastern Power Administration (Southeastern) were transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy. By Delegation Order No. 0204-108, effective May 30, 1986, 51 FR 19744 (May 30, 1986) the Secretary of Energy delegated to the Administrator the authority to develop power and transmission rates, and delegated to the Under Secretary the authority to confirm, approve, and place in effect such rates on an interim basis and delegated to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) the authority to confirm and approve on a final basis or to disapprove rates developed by the Administrator under the delegation. On December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy issued Delegation Order No. 00-001.00, granting the Deputy Secretary authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect Southeastern's rates on an interim basis. Because there is no Deputy Secretary at the

present time, the Secretary of Energy has exercised his authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on an interim basis the rate schedules in Southeastern Rate Order No. SEPA-42.

Background

Power from the Jim Woodruff Project is presently sold under Wholesale Power Rate Schedules JW-1-F and JW-2-C. These rate schedules were approved by the FERC on November 9, 2000, for a period ending September 19, 2005 (93 FERC 62100).

Public Notice and Comment

Southeastern prepared a Power Repayment Study, dated March of 2002, that showed that revenues at current rates were not adequate to meet repayment criteria. A revised study with a revenue increase of \$331,000 produced rates that are adequate to meet repayment criteria. On April 11, 2002, by **Federal Register** Notice 70 FR 17686, Southeastern proposed a rate adjustment of about 5.7 percent to recover this revenue. The notice also announced a Public Information and Comment Forum to be held May 16, 2002, in Tallahassee, Florida, with a deadline for written comments of July 10, 2002. Southeastern received no comments on the proposed rates.

Discussion

System Repayment

An examination of Southeastern's revised system power repayment study, prepared in April 2002, for the Jim Woodruff Project, shows that with the proposed rates, all system power costs are paid within the 50-year repayment period required by existing law and DOE Procedure RA 6120.2. The Administrator of Southeastern has certified that the rates are consistent with applicable law and that they are the lowest possible rates to customers consistent with sound business principles.

Environmental Impact

Southeastern has reviewed the possible environmental impacts of the rate adjustment under consideration and has concluded that, because the adjusted rates would not significantly affect the quality of the human environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the proposed action is not a major Federal action for which preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is required.

Availability of Information

Information regarding these rates, including studies, and other supporting materials is available for public review in the offices of Southeastern Power Administration, 1166 Athens Tech Road, Elberton, Georgia 30635-6711.

Submission to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

The rates hereinafter confirmed and approved on an interim basis, together with supporting documents, will be submitted promptly to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for confirmation and approval on a final basis for a period beginning September 20, 2002, and ending no later than September 19, 2005.