

slight decrease in overall annual costs and a slight increase in other revenues when compared to FY 2008. However, since there is no projected year-end carryover into FY 2009 the result is an overall increase in the base charge for FY 2009. Another factor contributing to the increase in the capacity rate is the decrease in capacity sales associated with lower Lake Mead water elevations. The decrease in the composite and energy rates is due to a slight increase in the FY 2009 energy sales from FY 2008.

Legal Authority

Western will hold both a public information forum and a public comment forum. After review of public comments and possible amendments or adjustments, Western will recommend the Deputy Secretary of Energy approve the proposed base charge and rates on a final basis.

Western is establishing an electric service base charge and rates for BCP under the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7152); the Reclamation Act of 1902 (ch. 1093, 32 Stat. 388), as amended and supplemented by subsequent laws, particularly section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h(c)), and other acts that specifically apply to the project involved.

By Delegation Order No. 00-037.00, effective December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy delegated: (1) The authority to develop power and transmission rates to Western's Administrator; (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary of Energy; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand or to disapprove such rates to the Commission. Existing Department of Energy (DOE) procedures for public participation in power rate adjustments (10 CFR part 903) were published on September 18, 1985.

Availability of Information

All brochures, studies, comments, letters, memorandums or other

documents that Western initiates or uses to develop the proposed rates are available for inspection and copying at the Desert Southwest Customer Service Regional Office, Western Area Power Administration, located at 615 South 43rd Avenue, Phoenix, AZ. Many of these documents and supporting information are also available on Western's Web site at <http://www.wapa.gov/dsw/pwrmtkt/BCP/RateAdjust.htm>.

Ratemaking Procedure Requirements

Environmental Compliance

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.*), the Council On Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures and Guidelines (10 CFR part 1021), Western has determined this action is categorically excluded from preparing an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement.

Determination Under Executive Order 12866

Western has an exemption from centralized regulatory review under Executive Order 12866, accordingly, no clearance of this notice by the Office of Management and Budget is required.

Dated: January 10, 2008.

Timothy J. Meeks,

Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Clean Water Act Section 303(d): Availability of 16 Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) in Louisiana

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability for comment of the

administrative record files for 16 TMDLs and the calculations for these TMDLs prepared by EPA Region 6 for waters listed in the Pearl River and the Terrebonne River Basins of Louisiana, under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA). These TMDLs were completed in response to a court order in the lawsuit styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford, et al.*, No. 96-0527, (E.D. La.).

DATES: Comments must be submitted in writing to EPA on or before March 3, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the 16 TMDLs should be sent to Diane Smith, Environmental Protection Specialist, Water Quality Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 6, 1445 Ross Ave., Dallas, TX 75202-2733 or e-mail: smith.diane@epa.gov. For further information, contact Diane Smith at (214) 665-2145 or fax 214.665.7373. The administrative record files for the 16 TMDLs are available for public inspection at this address as well. Documents from the administrative record files may be viewed at <http://www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6wq/npdes/tmdl/index.htm>, or obtained by calling or writing Ms. Smith at the above address. Please contact Ms. Smith to schedule an inspection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Smith at (214) 665-2145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1996, two Louisiana environmental groups, the Sierra Club and Louisiana Environmental Action Network (plaintiffs), filed a lawsuit in Federal Court against the EPA, styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford, et al.*, No. 96-0527, (E.D. La.). Among other claims, plaintiffs alleged that EPA failed to establish Louisiana TMDLs in a timely manner. EPA proposes six of these TMDLs pursuant to a consent decree entered in this lawsuit.

EPA Seeks Comment on 16 TMDLs

By this notice EPA is seeking comment on the following 16 TMDLs for waters located within Louisiana basins:

Subsegment	Waterbody name	Pollutant
090101	Pearl River—MS State Line to Pearl River Navigation Canal	Fecal Coliform.
090104	Peters Creek—Headwaters to Pearl River	Fecal Coliform.
090106	Holmes Bayou—From the Pearl River to the West Pearl River (scenic)	Turbidity.
090201	West Pearl River—From Headwaters to confluence with Holmes Bayou (scenic)	Turbidity.
090202	West Pearl River—From confluence with Holmes Bayou to the Rigolets (includes east and west mouths) (scenic).	Turbidity.
090301	Pushpatapa Creek—MS State Line to Pearl River floodplain	Fecal Coliform.
090401	Bogue Lusa Creek—Headwaters to Pearl River	Fecal Coliform.

Subsegment	Waterbody name	Pollutant
090501	Bogue Chitto River—From MS State Line to Pearl River Navigation Canal (scenic).	Turbidity.
090502	Big Silver Creek—Headwaters to Bogue Chitto River	Fecal Coliform.
090505	Bonner Creek—Headwaters to Bogue Chitto River	Fecal Coliform.
090506	Thigpen Creek—Headwaters to Bogue Chitto River	Fecal Coliform.
090105	Pearl River Navigation Canal—From Pools Bluff to Lock No. 3 (includes east and west mouths) (scenic).	Dissolved Oxygen.
090204	Pearl River Navigation Canal—Below Lock No. 3	Dissolved Oxygen.
090207	Middle Pearl River and West Middle Pearl River—From West Pearl River to Little Lake.	Dissolved Oxygen.
120606	Bayou Blue—Grand Bayou Canal to Boundary between segments 1206 and 1207 (Estuarine).	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients.

EPA requests that the public provide to EPA any water quality related data and information that may be relevant to the calculations for the 16 TMDLs. EPA will review all data and information submitted during the public comment period and revise the TMDLs where appropriate. EPA will then forward the TMDLs to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ). The LDEQ will incorporate the TMDLs into its current water quality management plan.

Dated: January 25, 2008.

Miguel I. Flores,

Director, Water Quality Protection Division, EPA Region 6.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Access to Confidential Business Information by Enrollees Under the Senior Environmental Employment Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has authorized grantee organizations under the Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) Program and their enrollees access to information which has been submitted to EPA under the environmental statutes administered by the Agency. Some of this information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI).

DATES: Comments concerning CBI access will be accepted on or before February 8, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to: Susan Street, National Program Director, Senior Environmental Employment Program (MC 3605A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Ariel

Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Street at (202) 564-0410.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) program is authorized by the Environmental Programs Assistance Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98-313), which provides that the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency may “make grants to, or enter into cooperative agreements with,” specified private nonprofit organizations for the purpose of “providing technical assistance to Federal, State, and local environmental agencies for projects of pollution prevention, abatement, and control.” Cooperative agreements under the SEE program provide support for many functions in the Agency, including clerical support, staffing hot lines, providing support to Agency enforcement activities, providing library services, compiling data, and support in scientific, engineering, financial, and other areas.

In performing these tasks, grantees and cooperators under the SEE program and their enrollees may have access to potentially all documents submitted under the Clean Air Act (CAA), the Clean Water Act (CWA), the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), the Emergency Planning & Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), to the extent that these statutes allow disclosure of confidential information to “authorized representatives of the United States” or to “contractors.” Some of these documents may contain information claimed as confidential.

EPA provides confidential information to enrollees working under the following cooperative agreements:

Cooperative Agreement No.	Organization
National Association for Hispanic Elderly	
QS-833757	NAHE
Q-833436	NAHE
National Asian Pacific Center on Aging	
Q-832831	NAPCA
Q-832943	NAPCA
Q-832965	NAPCA
Q-832972	NAPCA
Q-832973	NAPCA
Q-832974	NAPCA
QS-833084	NAPCA
National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, Inc.	
Q-832975	NCBA
Q-832977	NCBA
National Council On the Aging, Inc.	
Q-832828	NCOA
Q-832970	NCOA
Q-833413	NCOA
Q-833439	NCOA
National Older Workers Career Center	
Q-832838	NOWCC
Q-832852	NOWCC
Q-832889	NOWCC
Q-832890	NOWCC
Q-832891	NOWCC
Q-832892	NOWCC
Q-832893	NOWCC
Q-832922	NOWCC
Q-832925	NOWCC
Q-832928	NOWCC
Q-832945	NOWCC
Senior Service America, Inc.	
Q-832621	SSAI
Q-832961	SSAI
Q-832969	SSAI
Q-832979	SSAI
Q-833379	SSAI
Q-833383	SSAI
Q-833403	SSAI

Among the procedures established by EPA confidentiality regulations for granting access to confidential business information is notification to the