

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**SOUTHWESTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION****RATE SCHEDULE EE-13¹******WHOLESALE RATES FOR EXCESS ENERGY****Effective:**

During the period October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2019 **, in accordance with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission order issued January 9, 2014, Docket No. EF14-1-000.

Available:

In the marketing area of Southwestern Power Administration (Southwestern), described generally as the States of Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Applicable:

To electric utilities which, by contract, may purchase Excess Energy from Southwestern.

Character and Conditions of Service:

Three-phase, alternating current, delivered at approximately 60 Hertz, at the nominal voltage(s) and at the point(s) of delivery specified by contract.

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Wholesale Rates, Terms, and Conditions for Excess Energy

Excess Energy will be furnished at such times and in such amounts as Southwestern determines to be available.

1.1. Transmission and Related Ancillary Services

Transmission service for the delivery of Excess Energy shall be the sole responsibility of such customer purchasing Excess Energy.

1.2. Excess Energy Charge

\$0.0094 per kilowatthour of Excess Energy delivered.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9968-18-OP]

EPA Smart Sectors Program Launch

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the Smart Sectors program in the Office of Policy. Based on the successful EPA Sector Strategies program, EPA's Smart Sectors program will re-examine how

EPA engages with industry in order to reduce unnecessary regulatory burden, create certainty and predictability, and improve the ability of both EPA and industry to conduct long-term regulatory planning while also protecting the environment and public health.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**General Information**

EPA has initially identified the following sectors to work with: Aerospace; agriculture; automotive; cement and concrete; chemical manufacturing; construction; electronics and technology; iron and steel; oil and gas; ports and shipping; and utilities and power generation. Sectors were selected based on each sector's potential to improve the environment and public health. EPA welcomes participation from other stakeholders.

The Smart Sectors program will designate staff-level points of contact who are highly knowledgeable about specific industries. These individuals will act as liaisons among industry trade associations and companies, EPA program and regional offices, state and local governments, and other stakeholder groups. The sector liaisons will focus their attention primarily on three main areas: Building relationships and improving customer service to sectors; developing additional expertise in each industry's operations and environmental performance; and informing the planning of future policies, regulations, and Agency processes.

EPA anticipates that participating industries will benefit from coordinated, cooperative, and constructive problem-solving with government. The Agency will invite participating industries to engage in active dialogue and offer their own innovative ideas to reduce environmental impacts. Because industry-wide environmental performance improvement is the goal, EPA will work with trade associations and others to find creative ways to document environmental progress and burden reductions.

Dated: September 14, 2017.

Samantha K. Dravis,*Associate Administrator for Policy.*

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Access to Confidential Business Information by Eastern Research Group (ERG)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of access to data and request for comments.

SUMMARY: EPA will authorize its contractor, Eastern Research Group (ERG) to access Confidential Business Information (CBI) which has been submitted to EPA under the authority of all sections of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976, as amended. EPA has issued regulations that outline business confidentiality provisions for the Agency and require all EPA Offices that receive information designated by the submitter as CBI to abide by these provisions.

DATES: Access to confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than October 6, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

LaShan Haynes, Document Control Officer, Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery, (5305P), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460, 703-605-0516.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**1. Access to Confidential Business Information**

Under EPA Contract EP-W-10-055, entitled "Advancing SMM: Waste Facts and Figures and Related Tasks," the Eastern Research Group (ERG) will assist the Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery, Resource Conservation and Sustainability Division in collecting and analyzing municipal solid waste (MSW) information. The contract addresses MSW and other waste such as construction and demolition debris, however, the confidential business information (CBI) only relates to the MSW information collected and analyzed in the contract. The contract period is from August 2017-February 28, 2018. Some of the data collected from industry are claimed by industry to contain trade secrets or CBI. In

¹ Supersedes Rate Schedule EE-11.

** Extended through September 30, 2019 by approval of Rate Order No. SWPA-72 by the Deputy Secretary of Energy.