

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. NJ19-4-000]

**City of Riverside, California; Notice of Filing**

Take notice that on December 10, 2018, the City of Riverside, California submitted its tariff filing: City of Riverside 2019 TRBAA & ETC Update to be effective 1/1/2019.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the eFiling link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

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*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on March 11, 2019.

Dated: February 27, 2019.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 2299-082; Project No. 14581-002]

**Turlock Irrigation District; Modesto Irrigation District; Notice of Environmental Site Review**

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and Turlock and Modesto Irrigation Districts will conduct an environmental site review of the Don Pedro and La Grange Projects. The projects are located on the Tuolumne River, in Stanislaus and Tuolumne Counties, California.

*Date and Time:* Wednesday, March 27, 2019, 10:00 a.m.–about 4 p.m. (PDT).

*Location:* Meet at Don Pedro Recreation Agency Parking Lot, 10200 Bonds Flat Road, La Grange, California 95329.

The site visit is open to the public and resource agencies.

If you plan to attend, please notify Jim Hastreiter, at (503) 552-2760 or [james.hastreiter@ferc.gov](mailto:james.hastreiter@ferc.gov), no later than March 20, 2019.

Dated: February 27, 2019.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Western Area Power Administration****Boulder Canyon Project**

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

**ACTION:** Fiscal Year 2019 Boulder Canyon Project base charge and rates for electric service.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Secretary of Energy approves, on a final basis, the Boulder Canyon Project (BCP) base charge and rates for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 under Rate Schedule BCP-F10. Under Rate Schedule BCP-F10, the BCP base charge and rates are calculated annually.

**DATES:** The FY 2019 base charge and rates will be effective April 1, 2019 and will remain in effect through September 30, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mr. Ronald E. Moulton, Senior Vice

President and Regional Manager, or Ms. Tina Ramsey, Rates Manager, Desert Southwest Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, AZ 85005–6457, (602) 605–2525, or [dswpwrmlk@wapa.gov](mailto:dswpwrmlk@wapa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Hoover Dam, authorized by the Boulder Canyon Project Act of 1928, as amended (43 U.S.C. 617 *et seq.*), sits on the Colorado River along the Arizona-Nevada border. Hoover Dam's power plant has 19 generating units (two for plant use) and an installed capacity of 2,078.8 megawatts (4,800 kilowatts for plant use). In collaboration with the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) markets and delivers hydropower from Hoover Dam's power plant through high-voltage transmission lines and substations to Arizona, Southern California, and Southern Nevada.

The rate-setting methodology for BCP calculates an annual base charge rather than a unit rate for Hoover Dam hydropower. The base charge recovers an annual revenue requirement that includes projected costs from investment repayment, interest, operations, maintenance and replacements, payments to States, and Hoover Dam visitor services. Non-power revenue projections such as water sales, Hoover Dam visitor services, ancillary services, and late fees help offset these projected costs. Customers are billed a percentage of the base charge in proportion to their Hoover power allocation. A unit rate is calculated for comparative purposes but is not used to determine charges for service.

On June 6, 2018, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) confirmed and approved Rate Schedule BCP-F10 for a five-year period ending September 30, 2022.<sup>1</sup> Rate Schedule BCP-F10 and the BCP Electric Service Agreement require WAPA to determine the annual base charge and rates for the next fiscal year before October 1 of each year. The FY 2018 BCP base charge and rates expired on September 30, 2018. Therefore, the Administrator of the WAPA approved rates for short-term sales of BCP electric service until the Deputy Secretary of Energy approved the final base charge and rates.

<sup>1</sup> Order Confirming and Approving Rate Schedule on a Final Basis, FERC Docket No. EF18-1-000, 163 FERC ¶ 62,154 (2018).

## COMPARISON OF BASE CHARGE AND RATES

	FY 2018	FY 2019	Amount change	Percent change
Base Charge (\$)	\$76,910,193	\$69,741,657	-\$7,168,536	-9.3
Composite Rate (mills/kWh)	19.98	18.92	-1.06	-5.3
Energy Rate (mills/kWh)	9.99	9.46	-0.53	-5.3
Capacity Rate (\$/kW-Mo)	\$1.99	\$1.88	-\$0.11	-5.4

The FY 2019 base charge for BCP electric service decreased by \$7.2 million to \$69.7 million; a 9.3% reduction. This FY 2019 decrease follows a one-time increase to the FY 2018 base charge due to Reclamation's collection of \$15 million in working capital in FY 2018. There is no need to collect working capital in the FY 2019 base charge, but other factors—namely, a \$5.1 million decrease in non-power revenue and Reclamation's deferment of \$2.7 million in BCP operations and maintenance costs from FY 2018 to FY 2019—placed upward pressure on the base charge. This necessitated a \$7.8 million offset against the \$15 million decrease in the FY 2019 base charge, resulting in an overall decrease of \$7.2 million in the FY 2019 base charge compared to the FY 2018 base charge. WAPA's costs remain relatively flat and do not result in a measurable effect on the base charge.

The notice of the proposed FY 2019 base charge and rates for electric service was published consistent with procedures set forth in 10 CFR part 903 and 18 CFR part 300. WAPA took the following steps to involve the public in the rate adjustment process:

1. WAPA published a **Federal Register**<sup>2</sup> notice announcing the proposed formula rates, initiating the 90-day public consultation and comment period, setting forth the date and location of public information and public comment forums, and outlining the procedures for public participation.

2. On August 29, 2018, WAPA held a public information forum in Phoenix, Arizona. WAPA's representatives explained the proposed changes to the formula rates, answered questions, and provided handouts.

3. On September 28, 2018, WAPA held a public comment forum in Phoenix, Arizona, to provide attendees an opportunity to comment and ask questions for the record.

4. WAPA posted information about this public process at <https://www.wapa.gov/regions/DSW/Rates/Pages/boulder-canyon-rates.aspx>.

5. The consultation and comment period ended on October 29, 2018, and

WAPA received one comment. The comment appears below, paraphrased where appropriate without compromising its meaning.

**Comment:** A commenter requested that the rate process administered by WAPA be accomplished in a timely manner and prior to October 1.

**Response:** WAPA experienced delays in implementing the BCP rate process due, in part, to the beginning of a new BCP marketing period on October 1, 2018. The true-up of financial balances between the previous and current BCP contractors, for example, took longer than anticipated. WAPA notes that required administrative actions associated with the new marketing period have been implemented.

Following DOE's review of WAPA's proposal, I hereby approve on a final basis the FY 2019 base charge and rates for BCP electric service under Rate Schedule BCP-F10 through September 30, 2019.

Dated: March 1, 2019.

**Mark W. Menezes,**

*Under Secretary of Energy.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0738 and EPA-HQ-OAR-2010-0682; FRL-9990-25-OAR]

### Notice of Request for Approval of Alternative Means of Emission Limitation

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

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This action provides public notice and solicits comment on the alternative means of emission limitation (AMEL) request from Shell Oil Products U.S. Martinez Refinery (Shell Martinez) under the Clean Air Act, to operate a multi-point ground flare (MPGF) at a refinery in Martinez, California. In this action, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is soliciting comment on all aspects of this AMEL request and the corresponding operating

conditions that would demonstrate that the requested AMEL will achieve a reduction in emissions of hazardous air pollutants (HAP) at least equivalent to the reduction in emissions required by the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Petroleum Refineries ("Petroleum Refinery Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT)"). The Shell Martinez delayed coking unit (DCU) MPGF cannot meet the flare tip velocity limits in the Petroleum Refinery MACT. Based on our review of this request and supporting information, we conclude that, by following the conditions specified in this notice, the Shell Martinez DCU MPGF will achieve at least equivalent emissions reductions as flares complying with the Petroleum Refinery MACT requirements.

**DATES:** *Comments.* Comments must be received on or before April 10, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** *Comments.* Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0738, at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from *Regulations.gov*. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for detail about how the EPA treats submitted comments. *Regulations.gov* is our preferred method of receiving comments. However, the following other submission methods are also accepted:

- *Email:* [a-and-r-docket@epa.gov](mailto:a-and-r-docket@epa.gov). Include Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0738 in the subject line of the message.

- *Fax:* (202) 566-9744. Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0738.

- *Mail:* To ship or send mail via the United States Postal Service, use the following address: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0738, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand/Courier Delivery:* Use the following Docket Center address if you are using express mail, commercial delivery, hand delivery, or courier: EPA Docket Center, EPA WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue

<sup>2</sup> 83 FR 36,586 (July 30, 2018).