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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Bonneville Power Administration 1995 Wholesale Power and Transmission Rates, Variable Industrial Power Rate Extension (VI-95), and Pacific Northwest Coordination Agreement (PNCA) Rates

**AGENCY:** Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), DOE.

**ACTION:** Availability of proposed 1995 wholesale power and transmission rates, variable industrial rate extension (VI-95), Pacific Northwest Coordination Agreement (PNCA) Rates, and order establishing schedule.

**SUMMARY:** *BPA File No:* WP-95/TR-95, WP-96, TR-96, TC-96. On December 28, 1994, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) published a Notice of Intent to Revise Transmission Rates, 59 FR 66946 (1994), and Notice of Intent to Revise Wholesale Power Rates, 59 FR 66947 (1994). Subsequently, BPA published **Federal Register** Notices of Proposed Wholesale Power Rate Adjustment, 60 FR 8496 (1995), Proposed Transmission Rate Adjustment, 60 FR 8505 (1995), and Hearing and Opportunity for Public Comment Regarding Proposed Comparable Transmission Terms and Conditions, 60 FR 8511 (1995). On March 3, 1995, BPA published a Notice of Additional Prehearing/Settlement Conference for March 15, 1995, 60 FR 11962 (1995). At that prehearing conference, the Hearing Officers were expected to act on several procedural matters and to establish a procedural schedule. The March 3, 1995, Notice also included schedules for a New Rates and Terms and Conditions Proceeding and for an Extension of Current Rates

Proceeding. Notice also was given that some issues might be settled by the litigants, causing the proposed schedule to change.

At the Prehearing/Settlement Conference on March 15, 1995, the litigants reported to Hearing Officers about settlement discussions that had been taking place between BPA and its customers. The parties requested, and the Hearing Officers allowed, additional time to complete the settlement process. The Hearing Officers set an additional Scheduling Conference for March 22, 1995, at which time parties to the rate case would be asked to report on the status of the settlement and the Hearing Officers would rule on procedural matters. On March 17, 1995, most parties to the rate case signed a Settlement Agreement agreeing that BPA would propose to surcharge BPA's current rates for a 1-year period, October 1, 1995, through September 30, 1996, and to extend the Variable Industrial Power (VI) rate which was scheduled to expire on June 30, 1996, through September 30, 1996. The parties also agreed to establish a separate subsequent process to establish a 2-year rate proposal, a 5-year rate proposal, and a proposal for transmission services terms and conditions.

By this notice, BPA announces its proposed 1995 rates to be effective for 1 year beginning on October 1, 1995, and extending through September 1996, and its proposed rates for transactions under the Pacific Northwest Coordination Agreement (PNCA). BPA will publish a separate notice in the **Federal Register** to announce its proposed new power and transmission rates to be effective on October 1, 1996, including new 2- and 5-year rates, and its new transmission services terms and conditions on or around the July 10, 1995, Filing Date established for Docket Numbers WP-96, TR-96, and TC-96.

In separate orders issued March 22, 1995, the Hearing Officers: (1) adopted a service list for BPA's 1995 Wholesale Power and Transmission Rate Adjustment Proceeding, 1996 Wholesale Power and Transmission Rate Adjustment Proceeding and 1996 Transmission Terms and Conditions Proceedings; and (2) adopted other procedural rules governing these proceedings. Copies of all orders, including the Order Establishing Schedules, may be obtained by contacting: Francis (Jamie) Troy, Hearing Clerk—LQ, Bonneville Power Administration, 905 NE. 11th Ave., PO Box 12999, Portland, Oregon 97212.

Schedule for WP-95/TR-95:  
May 1, 1995—BPA Files Direct Case

May 30, 1995—Parties File Direct Case  
June 9, 1995—Close of Participant Comments  
June 19, 1995—Litigants File Rebuttal Testimony  
June 30, 1995—Cross-Examination  
July 10, 1995—Initial Briefs Filed  
July 31, 1995—Final Record of Decision Schedule for WP-96/TR-96 and TC-96:  
July 10, 1995—BPA Files Direct Case/Prehearing Conference  
September 8, 1995—Parties File Direct Case  
October 2, 1995—Close of Participant Comments  
October 25, 1995—Litigants File Rebuttal Testimony/BPA Supplemental Testimony  
December 4, 1995—Litigants File Rebuttal to Supplemental Testimony  
January 3–February 3, 1996—Cross-Examination  
February 21, 1996—Initial Briefs Filed  
February 28, 1996—Oral Argument  
March 25, 1996—BPA Draft Record of Decision/Hearing Officers Recommended Decision  
April 15, 1996—Briefs on Exceptions  
April 30, 1996—Final Record of Decision

BPA also will be conducting public field hearings. A notice of the dates, times, and locations of the field hearings will be made later through mailings and public advertising.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments by participants must be received by June 9, 1995, for WP-95/TR-95 and by October 2, 1995, for WP-96/TR-96/TC-96 to be considered in the Record of Decision (ROD). Written comments should be submitted to the Manager, Corporate Communications—CK; Bonneville Power Administration; PO Box 12999; Portland, Oregon 97212.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Michael Hansen, Public Involvement and Information Specialist, at the address listed immediately above, (503) 230-4328 or call toll-free 1-800-622-4519. Information also may be obtained from:

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