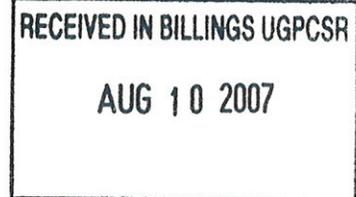




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RE: Eastern Division Pick-Sloan Resource Pool

Dear Mr. Harris,

Please consider the following as Renville-Sibley Cooperative Power Association's letter of interest and comment on uses of the third proposed Resource Pool for the Eastern Division Pick-Sloan program. We understand that Western is again proposing to withdraw up to 1% from firm power customers' allocations to provide allocations to qualified preference entities or other "appropriate purposes." This reduction for Eastern Division Pick-Sloan customers will total up to 20 megawatts.

In the last Resource Pool, Western defined eligible entities in accordance with section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 – and Native American tribes. Additionally, applicants may not be receiving Pick-Sloan benefits directly or indirectly from an existing Pick-Sloan firm power allocation. Applicants must also be located within the current marketing area and must be able to use the firm power directly or be able to sell it directly to retail customers. Applicants must have utility status and have transmission agreements in place. We believe Western should implement this next Resource Pool re-allocation following the same policies and procedures of prior Resource Pools.

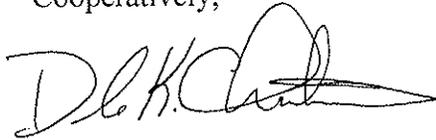
Renville-Sibley believes that Western should also make the Resource Pool allocations in conformance with existing laws and interpretations of laws and regulations. In no event should Western use "appropriate purposes" to attempt to expand existing laws and policy on eligibility requirements for receiving firm power allocations of federal power.

When implementing the new Resource Pool, we believe Western should focus on allocations to preference eligible utilities in amounts sufficient to make a difference to these potentially new firm power customers. Providing small allocations will not provide sufficient benefit to these new customers and will only worsen the hardship on existing firm power customers whose allocations continue to dwindle by these Resource Pool withdrawals.

We also believe that the terms and conditions of new preference power customer contracts should be identical to terms and conditions of existing firm power customers, so that if or when withdrawals are made in the future, reductions should apply to all firm power contract holders.

Thank you, Mr. Harris, for the opportunity to provide Renville-Sibley's views on the third proposed Resource Pool allocation of the Eastern Division of Pick-Sloan.

Cooperatively,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Christensen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dale Christensen – CEO

Cc: Stan Prokosch – Board Chairman