

Annual Transmission Expenses in the Preliminary FY 03 Rate Setting PRS

UGPR		RMR TRANSMISSION	UGPR	
TRANSMISSION EXPENSE	TRANSMISSION DISCOUNT		IRRIGATION TRANSMISSION	TOTAL
\$4,765,406	\$5,770,564	\$2,376,559	\$500,000	\$13,412,529

Annual Transmission Expenses in the FY 93 Rate Setting PRS

UGPR		RMR TRANSMISSION	UGPR	
TRANSMISSION EXPENSE	TRANSMISSION DISCOUNT		IRRIGATION TRANSMISSION	TOTAL
\$3,991,399	\$4,981,821	\$1,146,685	\$0	\$10,119,905

Difference

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
UGPR		RMR TRANSMISSION	UGPR	
TRANSMISSION EXPENSE	TRANSMISSION DISCOUNT		IRRIGATION TRANSMISSION	TOTAL
\$774,007	\$788,743	\$1,229,874	\$500,000	\$3,292,624

Explanation of Differences

- (1) The largest part of the increase is due to projections for transmission service from the Mid-Continent Area Power Pool. These transmission charges were not projected in the FY 93 Rate Setting PRS. A portion of the increase is also associated with moving from the 1 mill/kWh reciprocal transmission agreement with Montana Power Company to their Open Access Transmission Tariff for Canyon Ferry transmission and ancillary services.
- (2) The UGPR transmission discount has increased due to firm power customers making their own transmission arrangements as Western's transmission agreements have expired.
- (3) The main reason for the increase is that RMR now has a firm transmission contract with Sunflower Electric. This was not included in the FY 93 Rate Setting PRS. RMR is also projecting non-firm transmission expenses in the FY 03 Rate Setting PRS that were not projected in the FY 93 Rate Setting PRS.
- (4) UGPR began projecting irrigation transmission expense in the FY 2001 PRS.