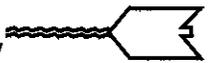


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RE: CRSP Step 2 Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Warren and Ms. Loftin:

The Inter Tribal Council of Arizona (ITCA) an organization of 20 member tribes who have contracts for Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects (SLCIP or Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP)) submits the following comments in relation to the CRSP rate increase scheduled to take effect October 1, 2009. These comments are submitted pursuant to Western's express allowance for the same by July 24, 2009, as stated at its June 25, 2009, customer meeting in Salt Lake City.

ITCA supports the July 23, 2009, comments submitted by the Arizona Tribal Energy Association (ATEA). ITCA is concerned that the rate proposed by Western does not represent the "lowest possible" charges to the CRSP customers. This is especially significant for those tribes that have a contract for CRSP power and receive the benefit of this contract through a benefit credit agreement. While ITCA understands that adjustments to rates are necessary, any adjustment should not result in rates that recover more than is absolutely required. Any increase directly impacts those tribal customers that have a benefit credit agreement by reducing the benefit the tribe receives.

ITCA appreciates Western's efforts to assist tribes and urges Western to engage in meaningful dialogue with tribes to address the concerns raised by ATEA.

Thank you for your attention to these remarks.

Sincerely,

John R. Lewis
Executive Director

cc: Arizona Tribal Energy Association