



Department of Energy
Western Area Power Administration
Desert Southwest Customer Service Region
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Dear Tribal Representative:

The Boulder Canyon Project (BCP) Firm Electric Service contracts administered by the Desert Southwest Region (DSW) of Western Area Power Administration (Western) expire on September 30, 2017. On December 20, 2011, the Hoover Power Plant Act of 2011 (Public Law 112-72) (HPAA) was enacted into law. The HPAA prescribes certain key aspects for the marketing of the BCP as of October 1, 2017, including specified amounts of contingent capacity and firm energy to be offered by Western to existing BCP Contractors. The HPAA also directs Western to create a resource pool of contingent capacity and firm energy to be allocated to new allottees.

Western is committed to timely and meaningful communication with Tribes and other interested parties as it prepares for implementation of the HPAA. Pursuant to the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona's (ITCA) formal request, a Tribal consultation meeting was held on April 5th with Western and members of the ITCA in order to discuss Western's pending Hoover Power allocation criteria, upcoming public process, and any other related future Federal actions which may affect the allocation of Hoover Power. Western subsequently conducted a BCP Post-2017 informal information meeting on June 19th for all interested parties, including Tribes.

Representatives of the ITCA recently requested an additional Tribal consultation to be held on July 26, 2012, at 9:00 am at the Heard Museum located at 2301 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. The enclosed agenda shall serve as a general guide for the meeting's discussions.

Western recognizes that the ITCA is requesting this meeting as a collective organization of 20 Arizona Tribes. However, this scheduled meeting does not preclude Western from consulting with individual Arizona Tribes regarding the Hoover Power allocation criteria and process. Along with this scheduled meeting, Western extends an invitation to any Tribe in the DSW marketing area who may wish to have separate discussions with Western. Western is pleased to provide for future discussions either at a Western facility or at a location designated by the Tribe.

Information on the BCP Post 2017 marketing effort is available on Western's website at http://www.wapa.gov/dsw/pwrmtkt/BCP_Remarketing/BCP_Remarketing.htm. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Mike Simonton, BCP Post 2017 Project Manager, at (602) 605-2675 or Simonton@wapa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah K. Emler".

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Enclosures