

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Department of Defense and the Designated Federal Officer, the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council, the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102–3.150(a) concerning the cancellation of the previously noticed meeting for March 24, 2020. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

On March 6, 2020 (85 FR 13149–13150), the DoD published a notice that announced a March 24, 2020 meeting of the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council. DoD is publishing this notice to announce that this federal advisory committee meeting has been cancelled and will be re-scheduled at a later date. The re-scheduled meeting will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: April 1, 2020.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

State Energy Advisory Board

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open teleconference.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a Virtual Meeting of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, May 6, 2020, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (ET).

To receive the Virtual Meeting information, please contact the Board's Designated Federal Officer at the address or phone number listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jay Nathwani, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20585. Phone number 202–586–9410, and email jay.nathwani@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: To make recommendations to the Assistant

Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101–440).

Tentative Agenda: During this Virtual Meeting Assistant Secretary of EERE will provide the charges to STEAB, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy Efficiency will discuss opportunities and engagement with-in Energy Efficiency Sector, and EERE Technology Offices will discuss various funding opportunities and ways the State Energy Office can access DOE resources.

Public Participation: The Virtual Meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Jay Nathwani at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include requested topic(s) on the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 60 days on the STEAB website at: <http://www.energy.gov/eere/steab/state-energy-advisory-board>.

Signed in Washington, DC, on April 1, 2020.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Boulder Canyon Project

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of proposed fiscal year 2021 Boulder Canyon Project base charge and rates for electric service.

SUMMARY: Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) is proposing an adjustment to the base charge and rates for fiscal year (FY) 2021 Boulder Canyon Project (BCP) electric service under Rate Schedule BCP–F10. The proposal would reduce the base charge 1.2 percent from \$66.4 million in FY

2020 to \$65.6 million for FY 2021. The reduction is primarily the result of an increase in prior year carryover funds and non-power revenue projections for the Hoover Dam visitor center. The proposed base charge and rates would go into effect on October 1, 2020, and remain in effect through September 30, 2021. Publication of this **Federal Register** notice will initiate the public process.

DATES: The consultation and comment period begins today and will end July 6, 2020. WAPA will present a detailed explanation of the proposed FY 2021 base charge and rates at a public information forum that will be held on May 6, 2020, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. WAPA will also host a public comment forum that will be held on June 5, 2020, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. WAPA will conduct both the public information forum and the public comment forum via WebEx. Instructions for participating in the forums via WebEx will be posted on WAPA's website at least 14 days prior to the public information and comment forums at <https://www.wapa.gov/regions/DSW/Rates/Pages/boulder-canyon-rates.aspx>. WAPA will accept written comments any time during the consultation and comment period.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Ms. Tracey A. LeBeau, Regional Manager, Desert Southwest Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, Arizona 85005–6457, or email dswpwrmrk@wapa.gov. WAPA will post information concerning the rate process and written comments received on its website at <https://www.wapa.gov/regions/DSW/Rates/Pages/boulder-canyon-rates.aspx>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Tina Ramsey, Rates Manager, Desert Southwest Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, Arizona 85005–6457, (602) 605–2565, or dswpwrmrk@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Hoover Dam,¹ authorized by the Boulder Canyon Project Act of 1928, as amended (43 U.S.C 617 *et seq.*), sits on the Colorado River along the Arizona-Nevada border. The Hoover Dam power plant has 19 generating units (two for plant use) and an installed capacity of 2,078.8 megawatts (4,800 kilowatts for plant use). In collaboration with the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), WAPA markets and delivers

¹ Hoover Dam was known as Boulder Dam from 1933 to 1947, but was renamed Hoover Dam by an April 30, 1947 joint resolution of Congress. See Act of April 30, 1947, H.J. Res. 140, ch. 46, 61 Stat. 56–57.

hydropower from the Hoover Dam power plant through high voltage transmission lines and substations to Arizona, Southern California, and Southern Nevada.

The rate-setting methodology for BCP calculates an annual base charge rather than a unit rate for Hoover Dam hydropower. The base charge recovers an annual revenue requirement that includes projected costs of investment repayment, interest, operations,

maintenance, replacements, payments to States, and Hoover Dam visitor services. Non-power revenue projections such as water sales, Hoover Dam visitor revenue, ancillary services, and late fees help offset these projected costs. Hoover power customers are billed a percentage of the base charge in proportion to their power allocation. A unit rate is calculated for comparative purposes but is not used to determine the charge for service.

On June 6, 2018, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) confirmed and approved Rate Schedule BCP-F10 for a five-year period ending September 30, 2022.² Rate Schedule BCP-F10 and the BCP Electric Service Contract require WAPA to determine the annual base charge and rates for the next fiscal year before October 1 of each year. The FY 2020 BCP base charge and rates expire on September 30, 2020.

COMPARISON OF BASE CHARGE AND RATES

	FY 2020	FY 2021	Amount change	Percent change
Base Charge (\$)	\$66,419,402	\$65,606,080	– \$813,322	– 1.2
Composite Rate (mills/kWh)	18.08	18.83	0.75	4.1
Energy Rate (mills/kWh)	9.04	9.42	0.38	4.2
Capacity Rate (\$/kW-Mo)	\$1.75	\$1.73	– \$0.02	– 1.1

Reclamation’s FY 2021 budget is increasing \$4.5 million to \$80.2 million, a 5.9 percent increase from FY 2020. Higher operations and maintenance expenses (\$2.6 million) and replacement costs (\$1.7 million) account for most of this increase. The rate impact of these increases to Reclamation’s budget are more than offset, however, by an increase in prior year carryover (\$2.8 million) and non-power revenue projections (\$2 million) following completion of the Hoover Dam visitor center renovations.

WAPA’s FY 2021 budget is decreasing \$400,000 to \$8.4 million, a 4.2 percent reduction from FY 2020. Lower operations and maintenance expenses (\$300,000) and the elimination of WAPA’s contingency fund (\$100,000) account for this decrease.

While there is a 1.2 percent reduction to the FY 2021 base charge, the composite and energy rates are increasing 4.1 and 4.2 percent respectively from FY 2020. The composite and energy rates use a forecasted energy value, which decreased due to the long-term drought in the Lower Colorado River Basin. The capacity rate is a 1.1 percent reduction from FY 2020 due to the decrease in the base charge. Forecasted energy and capacity values may be updated when determining the final base charge due to changing hydrological conditions.

This proposal, to be effective October 1, 2020, is preliminary and subject to change based on modifications to forecasts before publication of the final base charge and rates. In particular, the

forecast of non-power revenue projections associated with the Hoover Dam visitor center may require modification due to social distancing requirements resulting from COVID-19.

Legal Authority

This action constitutes a major rate adjustment as defined by 10 CFR 903.2(e). Pursuant to 10 CFR 903.15 and 10 CFR 903.16, WAPA will hold public information and public comment forums for this rate adjustment. WAPA will review and consider all timely public comments and adjust the proposal, as appropriate, at the conclusion of the consultation and comment period.

WAPA is establishing rates for BCP electric service in accordance with section 302 of the Department of Energy (DOE) Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7152). This provision transferred to, and vested in, the Secretary of Energy certain functions of the Secretary of the Interior, along with the power marketing functions of Reclamation. Those functions include actions that specifically apply to the BCP.

The BCP Electric Service Contract states that in years other than the first and fifth years of a rate schedule approved by the FERC on a final basis, adjustments to the base charge shall be effective upon approval by the Deputy Secretary of Energy. Under the DOE Organization Act, the Secretary of Energy holds plenary authority over DOE affairs with respect to the Power Marketing Administrations. By Delegation Order No. 00–002.00S,

effective January 15, 2020, the Secretary of Energy delegated to the Under Secretary of Energy the authority vested in the Secretary with respect to WAPA. By Redefinition Order No. 00–002.10E, effective February 14, 2020, the Under Secretary of Energy delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Electricity the same authority with respect to WAPA.³ This rate action is issued under the Redefinition Order and DOE’s procedures for public participation in rate adjustments set forth at 10 CFR parts 903 and 904.⁴

Availability of Information

All studies, comments, letters, memoranda, and other documents WAPA initiates or uses to develop the proposed base charge and rates are available for inspection and copying at the Desert Southwest Customer Service Regional Office, Western Area Power Administration located at 615 South 43rd Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85009. Many of these documents and supporting information are also available on WAPA’s website at <https://www.wapa.gov/regions/DSW/Rates/Pages/boulder-canyon-rates.aspx>.

Ratemaking Procedure Requirements

Environmental Compliance

WAPA is in the process of determining whether an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement should be prepared or if this

² Order Confirming and Approving Rate Schedule on a Final Basis, FERC Docket No. EF18–1–000, 163 FERC ¶ 62,154 (2018).

³ Delegation Orders No. 00–002–00S and 00–002.10E both clarify that this delegation of authority is “in addition” to the authority to approve and

place into effect on an interim basis WAPA’s power and transmission rates.

⁴ 50 FR 37,835 (Sept. 18, 1985) and 84 FR 5347 (Feb. 21, 2019).

action can be categorically excluded from those requirements.⁵

Determination Under Executive Order 12866

WAPA has an exemption from centralized regulatory review under Executive Order 12866; accordingly, no clearance of this notice by the Office of Management and Budget is required.

Dated: March 25, 2020.

Mark A. Gabriel,
Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0125; FRL-10004-81]

Pesticide Reregistration Performance Measures and Goals; Annual Progress Report; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of EPA's progress report in meeting its performance measures and goals for pesticide reregistration during fiscal year 2017. This progress report also presents the total number of products registered under the "fast-track" provisions of the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA).

DATES: Submit comments on or before June 5, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0125, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

- *Mail:* OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001.

- *Hand Delivery:* To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html>.

⁵In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures and Guidelines (10 CFR part 1021).

Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ramé Cromwell, Antimicrobials Division (7510P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-9068; email address: cromwell.rame@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this action apply to me?

This is directed to the public in general and may be of interest to a wide range of stakeholders including environmental, farm worker, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the integration of tolerance reassessment with the reregistration process, and the status of various regulatory activities associated with reregistration and tolerances reassessment. Given the broad interest, the Agency has not attempted to identify all the specific entities that may be interested in this action.

II. What action is the Agency taking?

This document announces the availability of EPA's progress reports in meeting its performance measures and goals for pesticide reregistration during fiscal year 2017.

III. What is the Agency's authority for taking this action?

The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*, requires EPA to publish information about EPA's annual achievements in meeting its performance measures and goals for pesticide reregistration. The report for fiscal year 2017 discusses the completion of tolerance reassessment and describes the status of various regulatory activities associated with reregistration. The 2017 report also provides the total number of products reregistered and products registered under the "fast-track" provisions of FIFRA.

IV. How can I get a copy of the report?

1. *Docket.* The 2017 report is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>, under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0125.

2. *EPA website.* The 2017 report is also available on EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-reevaluation/reregistration-and-other>

review-programs-predating-pesticide-registration.

V. Can I comment on this report?

EPA welcomes input from stakeholders and the general public. Any written comments received will be taken into consideration in the event that EPA determines that further action is warranted. EPA does not expect this report to lead to any particular action, and therefore is not seeking particular public comment.

VI. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA

1. *Submitting CBI.* Do not submit this information to EPA through [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or email. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD-ROM that you email to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD-ROM as CBI then identify electronically within the disk or CD-ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When preparing your comments, see the commenting tips at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/comments.html>.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136a-1(l).

Dated: March 31, 2020.

Alexandra Dapolito Dunn,

Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

[Fact Finding No. 29]

International Ocean Transportation Supply Chain Engagement; Order

Pursuant to the Shipping Act of 1984, 46 U.S.C. 40101 *et seq.* (Shipping Act), the Federal Maritime Commission (Commission) is charged with regulating the U.S. international ocean transportation system that supports the transportation of goods by water in the foreign commerce of the United States ("liner service"). The purposes of the Shipping Act include the requirements to "provide an efficient and economic transportation system in the ocean commerce of the United States that is,