



Department of Energy
Western Area Power Administration
Upper Great Plains Customer Service Region
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Dear Firm Power Service Customer:

The Upper Great Plain Region (UGPR) Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program (Pick-Sloan)--Eastern Division firm power and firm peaking power service rate schedules, placed into effect January 1, 2018, under Rate Order No. WAPA-180, provide for an annual drought adder review process. Notice of any estimated change is provided in early summer, followed by a notice of the final determination in October.

As noted in our June 29, 2022, annual drought adder review process notice, UGPR initiated a rate adjustment process with the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rates for Pick-Sloan--Eastern Division firm power, firm peaking power, and sale of surplus products – Rate Order No. WAPA-203 in the Federal Register on May 25, 2022. Through this rate adjustment process, UGPR proposed increasing Pick-Sloan--Eastern Division's drought adder component of the firm power and firm peaking power rates, effective January 1, 2023.

UGPR is using this letter to notify customers, as prescribed in the annual drought adder review process, no additional change will be made to the Pick-Sloan--Eastern Division drought adder component for January 2023, other than what is proposed in Rate Order No. WAPA-203. The final rate order is expected to be published in late November/early December 2022 and will include the final drought adder component for January 2023, as well as the new rate schedules. Information concerning Pick-Sloan--Eastern Division rate adjustment is posted on our website at www.wapa.gov/regions/UGP/rates/Pages/2023-firm-rate-adjustment.aspx.

Additional information regarding Pick-Sloan--Eastern Division firm power service rates can be found at www.wapa.gov/regions/UGP/rates/Pages/rates.aspx. If you have any questions concerning this notice, or the firm power service calculation, please contact me at (406) 702-4791 or cady@wapa.gov.

Sincerely,

Linda Cady-Hoffman
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