Questions and Comments on WAPA FRN to Join the SPP RTO

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1. Describe how (and why) additional purchases made by WAPA to satisfy its hydro sales to preference customers should qualify for the Federal Service Exemption (FSE). Please confirm if the FSE exemption for firming purchases is only applicable to the CRSP. (Page 37)
2. How will point to point transmission service by the SPP RTO West be priced? Is Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP or CRCM) priced differently than the other RTO West transmission owners? (Page 38-39)
3. Will the methodology for determining WAPA Colorado River Storage Project (CRCM) transmission rates change when it enters the SPP RTO? Please explain. (Page 38)
4. What are the estimated rate impacts to WAPA network and point to point transmission customers? Please explain.
5. Will each WAPA office (CRSP, LAP, UPGW) have its own seat on SPP's MOPC?
6. Markets+ is gaining momentum in the West. How does WAPA see Markets+ and SPP RTO West working together? Has WAPA considered Markets+ as a viable short-to-mid-term option to SPP RTO West?
7. Is WAPA still considering Markets+ as an alternative to joining the SPP RTO?
8. What is WAPA's expectation of the impact that joining SPP RTO will have on its existing generator interconnection queue, including any transition issues from the WAPA queues to the SPP queue.
9. Has SPP performed any study of the WAPA transmission system, including any recommendations to upgrade facilities to comply with SPP criteria?
10. Does WAPA expect that the Western Resource Adequacy Program (WRAP) will be the "coordinated RA" mentioned in the Recommendation Report. (Page 22)
11. Why does WAPA conclude (Page 6) that bilateral energy prices are higher than prices generated in an RTO?

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