

## § 301.1

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### § 301.1 Applicability.

The regulations in this part apply to the sales of electric power by any Utility to the Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville) under section 5(c) of the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act (Northwest Power Act). 16 U.S.C. 839c(c).

### § 301.2 Definitions.

For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

*Account(s).* The Accounts prescribed in the Commission's Uniform System of Accounts in part 101 of this chapter.

*Appendix 1.* Appendix 1 is the electronic form on which a Utility reports its Contract System Cost, Contract System Load, and other necessary data to Bonneville for the calculation of the Utility's Average System Cost.

*Average System Cost (ASC).* The rate charged by a Utility to Bonneville for the agency's purchase of power from the Utility under section 5(c) of the Northwest Power Act for each Exchange Period, and the quotient obtained by dividing Contract System Cost by Contract System Load. 16 U.S.C. 839c(c).

*Average System Cost delta (ASC delta).* The change in a Utility's ASC during the Exchange Period resulting from the inclusion in the Average System Cost forecast model of costs, loads, revenues, and other information related to the commercial operation of a major resource addition or reduction that was identified in the Utility's ASC filing.

*Average System Cost forecast model (ASC forecast model).* The model Bonneville uses to escalate a Utility's costs, revenues, and other information contained in the Appendix 1 to calculate the Exchange Period ASC.

*Average System Cost review process (ASC review process).* The administrative proceeding conducted before Bonneville under Bonneville's ASC review procedures in which a Utility's ASC is determined.

*Base Period.* The calendar year of the most recent Form 1 data.

*Base Period ASC.* The ASC determined in the Review Period using the Util-

ity's Base Period data and additional specified data.

*Contract High Water Mark (CHWM).* The average MW amount used to define access to Tier 1 Priced-Power. CHWM is equal to the adjusted historical load for each customer proportionately scaled to Tier 1 System Resources and adjusted for conservation achieved. The CHWM is specified in each eligible customer's CHWM Contract.

*Commission.* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

*Consumer-owned Utility.* A public body or cooperative that is eligible to purchase preference power from Bonneville under section 5(b) of the Northwest Power Act. 16 U.S.C. 839c(b).

*Contract System Cost.* The Utility's costs for production and transmission resources, including power purchases and conservation measures, which costs are includable in, and subject to, the provision of Appendix 1. Under no circumstances will Contract System Cost include costs excluded from ASC by section 5(c)(7) of the Northwest Power Act. 16 U.S.C. 839c(c)(7).

*Contract System Load.* The total regional retail load included in the most recently filed FERC Form 1 or, for a Consumer-owned Utility, the total retail load from the most recent annual audited financial statement, as adjusted pursuant to the ASC methodology.

*Direct Analysis.* An analysis, including supporting documentation, prepared by the Utility that assigns the costs, debits, credits, and revenues in an Account to the Production, Transmission, and/or Distribution/Other functions of the Utility.

*Escalator.* A factor used to adjust an Account in the Base Period ASC filing to the value for the period of the Exchange Period ASC.

*Exchange Load.* All residential, apartment, seasonal dwelling and farm electrical loads eligible for the Residential Exchange Program under the terms of a Utility's Residential Purchase and Sales Agreement.

*Exchange Period(s).* The period during which a Utility's Bonneville-approved ASC is effective for the calculation of the Utility's Residential Exchange Program benefits. The initial Exchange Period under this ASC methodology is