DATE: March 25, 2013

REPLY TO ATTN OF: KEPR-4

SUBJECT: Environmental Clearance Memorandum

TO: Bob Trisman
   Electrical Engineer – TEP-CSB-1

**Proposed Action:** Revenue meter replacement at Franklin County Public Utility District’s (PUD) Taylor Flats Substation

**PP&A Project No:** 2608

**Categorical Exclusion Applied (from Subpart D, 10 C.F.R. Part 1021):** B1.7 Electronic Equipment

**Location:** Franklin County, Washington.

**Proposed by:** Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)

**Description of the Proposed Action:** BPA proposes to remove the existing equipment and replace it with a new JEMSTAR revenue meter within BPA’s existing meter rack inside Franklin County PUD’s Taylor Flats Substation. No ground disturbance or alteration to the control house would occur.

**Findings:** BPA has determined that the proposed action complies with Section 1021.410 and Appendix B of Subpart D of the Department of Energy’s (DOE) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Regulations (57 FR 15144, Apr. 24, 1992, as amended at 61 FR 36221-36243, July 9, 1996; 61 FR 64608, Dec. 6, 1996, 76 FR 63764, Nov. 14, 2011). The proposed action does not present any extraordinary circumstances that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal. The proposal is not connected [40 C.F.R. 1508.25(a)(1)] to other actions with potentially significant impacts, has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion, is not related to other proposed actions with cumulatively significant impacts [40 C.F.R. 1508.25(a)(2)], and is not precluded by 40 C.F.R. 1506.1 or 10 C.F.R. 1021.211.

Moreover, the proposed action would **not** (i) threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, (ii) require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities, (iii) disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that pre-exist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases, (iv) have the potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources, or (v) involve genetically engineered organisms, synthetic biology, governmentally designated noxious...
weeds, or invasive species, unless the proposed activity would be contained or confined in a manner designed and operated to prevent unauthorized release into the environment and conducted in accordance with applicable requirements.

This proposed action meets the requirements for the Categorical Exclusion referenced above. We therefore determine that the proposed action may be categorically excluded from further NEPA review and documentation.

/s/ Philip W. Smith
Philip W. Smith
Manager, Regional and Technical Services

Concur: /s/ Katherine S. Pierce Date: March 25, 2013
Katherine S. Pierce
NEPA Compliance Officer

Attachments:
Environmental Checklist for Categorical Exclusions
# Environmental Checklist for Categorical Exclusions

**Name of Proposed Project:** Franklin County PUD Taylor Flats Meter Project  
**PP&A Project No.:** PP&A 2608  
**Prepared by:** P. Smith  
**Routing:** KEPR-4  
**Date:** 3/19/13  

This project has been found to not adversely affect the following environmentally sensitive resources, laws, and regulations:

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<th>Environmental Resources</th>
<th>No Adverse Effect</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Cultural Resources</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Meter replacement work within existing Franklin PUD Substation control house. Replacing existing meter with new JEMSTAR meter in existing rack, no ground disturbance or building alteration.</td>
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<td>2. T &amp; E Species, or their habitat(s)</td>
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<td>Work occurs within existing substation. No effect on T&amp;E species or habitats.</td>
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<td>3. Floodplains or wetlands</td>
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<td>10. Other</td>
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List supporting documentation attached (if needed): Environmental Requirements Memorandum: None  

Signed /s/ Philip W. Smith  
Date March 19, 2013  
Philip W. Smith, KEPR-4