## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY BEFORE THE BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION

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## FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2029 PUBLIC RATE DESIGN METHODOLOGY; PUBLIC HEARING AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

BPA Docket No.: PRDM-26

## PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE CITY OF TACOMA, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES, POWER DIVISION

Pursuant to Section 1010.6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA or Bonneville) and the Federal Register Notice dated November 13, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 89,626), the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Power Division ("Tacoma") hereby petitions for leave to intervene as a party in the above-captioned proceeding. BPA commenced this proceeding under the Northwest Power Planning and Conservation Act to establish new tiered rate design for setting its Priority Firm Power rates for the period beginning October 1, 2028.

The City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Power Division ("Tacoma") is a publicly owned utility operating in the State of Washington for over 125 years. Tacoma serves over 183,000 customers within the city of Tacoma and across neighboring cities and in unincorporated Pierce County, Washington. Tacoma is governed by a five-member Public Utility Board, together with the elected Tacoma City Council. Tacoma purchases power, transmission, and certain ancillary services from BPA at the rates set by BPA in its rate proceedings.

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Pursuant to Section 1010.6(b) of BPA's Rules of Procedure, "[e]ntities that directly purchase power or transmission services under Bonneville's rate schedules, or trade organizations representing those entities, will be granted intervention, based on a petition filed in conformity with this Section 1010.6." Tacoma is a public power customer of BPA within the meaning of Section 1010.6(b) and has a direct and substantial interest in participating in this proceeding that will not be adequately represented by any other party.

All pleadings, materials, and other communications relating to this proceeding should be served on the following individuals:

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Wherefore, Tacoma requests that this petition to intervene be granted and Tacoma be

made a formal party to this proceeding.

DATED this 18th day of November 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I electronically filed the foregoing by uploading it to the Bonneville Power Administration's secure website. Pursuant to Section 1010.10(a) of the Rules of Procedure of the Bonneville Power Administration, such filing constitutes service on all Litigants.

Submitted by,

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