

§ 838a. Definitions

As used in this chapter—

(a) The term “Administrator” means the Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration.

(b) The term “electric power” means electric peaking capacity or electric energy, or both.

(c) The term “major transmission facilities” means transmission facilities intended to be used to provide services not previously provided by the Bonneville Power Administration with its own facilities.

(Pub. L. 93-454, §3, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1376.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of Secretary of the Interior with respect to Bonneville Power Administration transferred to Secretary of Energy by section 7152(a)(1)(D), (2) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, with Bonneville Power Administration to be preserved as a distinct organizational entity within Department of Energy and headed by an Administrator.

§ 838b. Operation and maintenance of Federal transmission system; construction of improvements, betterments, additions and replacements; criteria

The Secretary of Energy, acting by and through the Administrator, shall operate and maintain the Federal transmission system within the Pacific Northwest and shall construct improvements, betterments, and additions to and replacements of such system within the Pacific Northwest as he determines are appropriate and required to:

(a) integrate and transmit the electric power from existing or additional Federal or non-Federal generating units;

(b) provide service to the Administrator’s customers;

(c) provide interregional transmission facilities; or

(d) maintain the electrical stability and electrical reliability of the Federal system: *Provided, however,* That the Administrator shall not construct any transmission facilities outside the Pacific Northwest, excepting customer service facilities within any contiguous areas, not in excess of seventy-five airline miles from said region, which are a part of the service area of a distribution cooperative which has (i) no generating facilities, and (ii) a distribution system from which it serves both within and without said region, nor shall he commence construction of any major transmission facility within the Pacific Northwest, unless the expenditure of the funds for the initiation of such construction is specifically approved by Act of Congress.

(Pub. L. 93-454, §4, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1376; Pub. L. 95-91, title III, §302(a)(1)(D), Aug. 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 578.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

“Secretary of Energy” substituted in text for “Secretary of the Interior” pursuant to Pub. L. 95-91, §302(a)(1)(D), which is classified to section 7152(a)(1)(D) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

§ 838c. Acquisition by condemnation of transmission facilities**(a) Approval by Congress; exceptions**

Unless specifically authorized by Act of Congress, the Administrator shall not expend funds made available under this chapter, other than funds specifically appropriated by the Congress for such purpose, to acquire any operating transmission facility by condemnation: *Provided,* That this provision shall not restrict the acquisition of the right to cross such a facility by condemnation.

(b) Notice of request for approval for construction or condemnation to contracting or interconnected entities in Pacific Northwest

At least sixty days prior to the time a request for approval or authority under this section or section 838b of this title is sent to Congress, the Administrator shall give notice of such request to entities in the Pacific Northwest with which the Administrator has power sales or exchange contracts or transmission contracts or which have a transmission interconnection with the Federal transmission system.

(Pub. L. 93-454, §5, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1377.)

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§ 838d. Transmission of non-Federal power

The Administrator shall make available to all utilities on a fair and nondiscriminatory basis, any capacity in the Federal transmission system which he determines to be in excess of the capacity required to transmit electric power generated or acquired by the United States.

(Pub. L. 93-454, §6, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1377.)

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§ 838e. Acquisition of property

Subject to the provisions of section 838c of this title the Administrator may purchase or lease or otherwise acquire and hold such real and personal property in the name of the United States as he deems necessary or appropriate to carry out his duties pursuant to law.

(Pub. L. 93-454, §7, Oct. 18, 1974, 88 Stat. 1377.)

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