

FPP Change Form

Change Request Number: 09JDA006

Date: 1/6/09

Proposed by: CNWW-OD-T

Location: JDA 5.3

Proposed Change:

5.3. Units may be operationally tested for up to 30 minutes before going into maintenance status by running the unit at speed no load and various loads within the 1% criteria to allow pre-maintenance measurements and testing AND TO ALLOW ALL FISH TO MOVE THROUGH THE UNIT. Units may be operationally tested after maintenance or repair while remaining in maintenance or forced outage status. Operational testing may consist of running the unit for up to a cumulative time of 30 minutes (within 1% criteria) before it is returned to operational status. Operational testing OF UNIT UNDER MAINTENANCE is in addition to a unit in run status (E.G. MINIMUM GENERATION) required for power plant reliability. Operational testing may deviate from fish priority units and may require water that would otherwise be used for spill if the running unit for reliability is at its 1% minimum load. Water will be used from the powerhouse allocation if possible, and water diverted from spill for operational testing will be minimized to that necessary to maintain and assure generation system reliability.

Reason for Change: Allow unit operability testing and verification after maintenance activities.

Comments from others: NOAA- We disagree with this request at this time. There should be further discussions on the ramifications for fish passage. In particular, we need to better understand under what conditions spill water would be shifted to unit operation.

USFWS- There should be more discussion/explanation at FPOM of why and how much spill water is needed, and why there are no alternatives to using spill. If guidelines are needed they should be listed here.

CRITFC- We have concerns for all of these unit testing/maintenance turbine operation. We are not aware of a situation where spill would need to be reduced to meet this need and if it was that operation needs to be scheduled well in advance to attempt to not impact the spill program, or be coordinated through the region forum.

Record of Final Action: Discussed at the March 2009 FPOM. Approved as written above.