



Re: questions regarding Docket No . FD 30186, Tongue River Railroad Company,

Rachel Wilson to: Danielle.Gosselin@stb.dot.gov

07/30/2015 05:02 PM

Cc: "BlodgettK@stb.dot.gov"

History: This message has been replied to and forwarded.

Hi Danielle,

Thanks for your email. I was actually looking more specifically for the actual information that went into and came out of the IPM model, which is quite a bit more detailed than the information that is provided in the DEIS.

As an example of what we're looking for, EPA provides the IPM input and output files in its Analysis of the Clean Power Plan:

<http://www.epa.gov/airmarkets/programs/ipm/cleanpowerplan.html>

This is the sort of information we are looking for. Is this available?

Thanks!
Rachel

From: Danielle.Gosselin@stb.dot.gov <Danielle.Gosselin@stb.dot.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 12:03 PM
To: Rachel Wilson; Liz Stanton
Cc: BlodgettK@stb.dot.gov
Subject: Re: questions regarding Docket No. FD 30186, Tongue River Railroad Company,

Hi Rachel & Liz,

Thanks for your inquiry. I have attached your list and our corresponding references to where you can find the information you requested in the Draft EIS, including its Appendices. If you have any questions or comments on the modeling/analysis contained in the Draft EIS, please submit them by the August 24th comment due date and we will respond to your comments in the Final EIS.

(See attached file: Missing modeling assumptions and output 072015.docx)

Best,
Danielle

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Subject: Re: questions regarding Docket No. FD 30186, Tongue River

Railroad Company,

Hi Danielle,

We're essentially looking for the input and output files from ICF's IPM modeling that is described in Chapter 5 of Appendix C of the DEIS, as well as any workbooks and work papers used by ICF that were used to generate the input assumptions that went into the model, or analyze the output results.

I'm happy to schedule a call at your convenience, just let me know what time works best for you.

Thanks!
Rachel

From: Liz Stanton
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 10:27 AM
To: Danielle.Gosselin@stb.dot.gov
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Subject: RE: questions regarding Docket No. FD 30186, Tongue River Railroad Company,

Thanks, Danielle!
I'm cc'ing my colleague Rachel Wilson who prepared the attached list of missing modeling assumptions and outputs.

I think it might be helpful for you to have a call with Rachel to discuss.

Liz

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From: Danielle.Gosselin@stb.dot.gov [mailto:Danielle.Gosselin@stb.dot.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 10:24 AM
To: Liz Stanton
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Subject: Re: questions regarding Docket No. FD 30186, Tongue River Railroad Company,

Hi Liz,
We would be happy to help you locate information in the document that you are unable to find. What exactly are you looking for?

Thanks,
Danielle

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Railroad Company,

Hi Ken and Danielle,

The Draft EIS for Docket No. FD 30186, Tongue River Railroad Company names the two of you as the STB staff to contact with questions.

I have been engaged to analyze the Draft EIS and have technical questions, specifically regarding assumptions to the ICF analysis that I have not been able to locate in the appendices. What is the best way for me to gain access to a more complete set of assumptions? If helpful, I can send you a detailed list of the data points that have not been able to find.

Thanks!
Liz

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