SYSTEM OPERATIONAL REQUEST: #99-6

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SUBJECT: Further Implementation of Snake River Spill Measures

SPECIFICATIONS:

• Increase spill to the 120% total dissolved gas cap at each of the Snake River Projects.

• Spill 100% of instantaneous flow at Ice Harbor Dam during nighttime hours.

JUSTIFICATION:

The justification for this SOR was previously documented in SOR #99-5. It has been noted that the volume of spill at the Lower Snake Projects could be increased and still remain under the 120% gas cap. In addition, there are no known restrictions on spilling 100% of instantaneous flow during nighttime hours at Ice Harbor Dam during the spring. Powerhouse operation during nighttime hours is not of concern for adult passage, and since juveniles will be passing via the spillway, bypass outfall conditions are not an issue.