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**From:** Jones, Craig [CJones@idahopower.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 13, 2006 12:53 PM  
**To:** Hall, Ellen  
**Cc:** Alan Mitchnick; Bowling, Jon; Snyder, Carlene  
**Subject:** RE: OP-2 backup data

Dear Ellen,

It is my understanding that the apparent discrepancy between the FLA table 4.1 and the OP-2 backup data has now been addressed, and we were able to clear up satisfactorily. To briefly summarize the discussion, the data in table 4.1 is actually the Snake River at Weiser flow data. The data that was used in the OP-2 and the original FLA CHEOPS runs was calculated Brownlee inflow.

Also, per Mark Kilgore's request, I have attached the 1992 and 1994 data in the same format as the OP-2 backup data that IPC sent to FERC in response to an earlier request to provide additional data.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Craig Jones  
Hells Canyon Relicensing Project Manager

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Alan Mitchnick [mailto:Alan.Mitchnick@ferc.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2006 9:15 AM  
**To:** Jones, Craig  
**Cc:** Hall, Ellen  
**Subject:** OP-2 backup data

Craig:

With respect to the OP-2 backup data, we have discovered the following discrepancy between the backup data and information in the final license application (FLA) :

**Brownlee Inflow**

Year	1995	1997	1999
Source: AIR OP-2 backup data	14.11 MAF	24.46 MAF	17.99 MAF
Source: FLA Table 4.1 data (page 19 Technical Appendix Report E.1.4)	12.70 MAF	23.15 MAF	16.62 MAF
FLA estimate as percent of AIR OP-2 backup data estimate	90.03%	94.65%	92.40%

This suggests that there is a disconnect between the backup data and the FLA data.

Also, it is not just annual Brownlee inflows that don't match, but other parameters as well. For example, maximum flow is reported as 80,000 cfs in what was just submitted versus 90,000 cfs in the FLA (see FLA table 4.1 data [page 19 of Technical Appendix Report E.1.4]).

So, we would like an explanation about the data discrepancy. Perhaps Idaho Power refined the data in some way?

Additionally, because of differences in the original data requests for OP-1 and OP-2, we are in need of the backup data for 1992 and 1994, as well as the years provided on the CD from Idaho Power.

We need some clarification on the data discrepancy, and need the comparable backup data on 1992 and 1994 as well.

For more information, you can contact Ellen Hall at 208-395-1500.

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