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To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CHAFFETZ (for himself, Mr. MATHESON, and Mr. BISHOP of Utah) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

- To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Bonneville Unit Clean

5 Hydropower Facilitation Act".

6 SEC. 2. DIAMOND FORK SYSTEM DEFINED.

7 For the purposes of this Act, the term "Diamond8 Fork System" means the facilities described in chapter 4

of the October 2004 Supplement to the 1988 Definite
 Plan Report for the Bonneville Unit.

3 SEC. 3. COST ALLOCATIONS.

4 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in order 5 to facilitate hydropower development on the Diamond 6 Fork System, the amount of reimbursable costs allocated 7 to project power in Chapter 6 of the Power Appendix in 8 the October 2004 Supplement to the 1988 Bonneville Unit 9 Definite Plan Report, with regard to power development 10 within the Diamond Fork System, shall be considered final costs as well as costs in excess of the total maximum re-11 12 payment obligation as defined in section 211 of the Cen-13 tral Utah Project Completion Act of 1992 (Public Law 102–575), and shall be subject to the same terms and con-14 15 ditions.

16 SEC. 4. NO PURCHASE OR MARKET OBLIGATION; NO COSTS 17 ASSIGNED TO POWER.

Nothing in this Act shall obligate the Western Area Power Administration to purchase or market any of the power produced by the Diamond Fork power plant and none of the costs associated with development of transmission facilities to transmit power from the Diamond Fork power plant shall be assigned to power for the purpose of Colorado River Storage Project ratemaking.

1 SEC. 5. PROHIBITION ON TAX-EXEMPT FINANCING.

2 No facility for the generation or transmission of hy3 droelectric power on the Diamond Fork System may be
4 financed or refinanced, in whole or in part, with proceeds
5 of any obligation—

6 (1) the interest on which is exempt from the
7 tax imposed under chapter 1 of the Internal Rev8 enue Code of 1986, or

9 (2) with respect to which credit is allowable
10 under subpart I or J of part IV of subchapter A of
11 chapter 1 of such Code.

12 SEC. 6. REPORTING REQUIREMENT.

13 If, 24 months after the date of the enactment of this 14 Act, hydropower production on the Diamond Fork System has not commenced, the Secretary of the Interior shall 15 16 submit a report to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on 17 Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate stating this 18 19 fact, the reasons such production has not yet commenced, 20and a detailed timeline for future hydropower production.

21 SEC. 7. PAYGO.

The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
shall be determined by reference to the latest statement
titled "Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation" for this
Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record
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by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the
 vote on passage.

4 SEC. 8. LIMITATION ON THE USE OF FUNDS.

The authority under the provisions of section 301 of
the Hoover Power Plant Act of 1984 (Public Law 98–381;
42 U.S.C. 16421a) shall not be used to fund any study
or construction of transmission facilities developed as a
result of this Act.

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