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## MEMORANDUM

To: All Bureau of Reclamation Employees

From: Thomas A. Luebke /s/  
Director, Technical Service Center

Subject: Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Rates for Technical Service Center (TSC) Work

The TSC billable labor rates for FY 2019 are shown in the attached table, along with premium rates for the few groups providing extensive unique services. Note that the labor rates have increased substantially, primarily due to the new OPM salary rate schedule for Reclamation engineers.

We continuously strive to manage the TSC's costs to keep our rates as low as possible for our customers and are grateful for the outstanding support we have received from you in the form of an extremely strong current and projected workload.

The TSC is committed to providing the technical services Reclamation needs to carry out its mission. We look forward to working with you to ensure the services we deliver are the best possible value for all of our clients in FY 2019 and beyond.

If you have any comments or questions regarding FY 2019 rates and fee structures, please contact Tom Luebke at 303-445-2600.

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## Attachment 1

TECHNICAL SERVICE CENTER  
FISCAL YEAR 2019 BILLABLE LABOR RATES

The TSC base rates for fiscal year (FY) 2019 are shown in the following table. The TSC will continue charging for services using billable rates for three skill levels.

Skill Level	Grades	Prior Year Rate	FY19 Basic Labor Billing Rate	
		Per Hour	Per Hour	Per Day
1	1 - 10	\$70	\$85	\$680
2	11 - 12	\$99	\$115	\$920
3	13 - 15	\$124	\$140	\$1,120

The TSC has fees and premium rates to cover the costs of the special services associated with some laboratory, field, and computing activities. A summary of the premium rates associated with these services are provided below.

Org Code	TSC Group	Premium Rate	
		Per Hour	Per Day
8668440	Power Systems Analysis & Controls	\$15	\$120
8668450	Hydropower Diagnostics & SCADA	\$15	\$120
8668530	Concrete, Geotechnical, & Structures Lab	\$15	\$120
8668540	Materials and Corrosion Lab	\$15	\$120
8668560	Hydraulic Investigations and Lab Services	\$15	\$120

Finally, TSC will continue to offer the services of temporary summer hire students and technicians, at a reduced rate of \$25/hour (\$200/day).