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In reply refer to: TEP-TPP-3

To: Parties Interested in the Big Eddy-Knight Transmission Project

In June 2009, the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) sent notification to the public about a proposal to build a new transmission line and substation, along with plans to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the project. We asked for your comments on the project and hosted two public meetings. Thank you for taking the time to tell us your thoughts and concerns.

In response to the comments we received and additional preliminary design work, we have further refined the proposed project. The enclosed fact sheet explains these refinements, summarizes the comments we received, outlines our next steps and provides contact information for additional input or questions you may have.

Because of these refinements, additional landowners may be impacted by the proposed project and we may need to ask for permission to enter property where we do not have existing access. We will contact those property owners for permission to enter property through a separate mailing from our Real Property Field Services Office.

BPA is currently analyzing the possible environmental impacts of the project. Your comments are helping us focus our efforts. If you have comments on the project refinements described in this mailing, please submit them to either of the following: BPA online at: www.bpa.gov/comment, fax to (503) 230-3285, mail to Public Affairs Office - DKE-7, P.O. Box 14428, Portland, OR, 97293-4428 or phone toll free at (800) 622-4519. Please be sure to reference "Big Eddy-Knight Transmission Project." **To ensure that your comments are considered in our analysis, please submit them by January 19, 2010.** We will post all comments we receive on our project Web site at http://www.efw.bpa.gov/environmental_services/Document_Library/Big_Eddy-Knight/.

If you have questions regarding the environmental process, please contact the environmental project lead, Stacy Mason, toll-free at (800) 282-3713, direct at (503) 230-5455, or e-mail at slmason@bpa.gov. If you have other questions or would like more project information, please call me, Steve Prickett, at the toll-free number above or directly at (360) 619-6379; or e-mail slprickett@bpa.gov.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

/s/ Steven L. Prickett

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Fact sheet