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Bonneville Power Administration

Submitted via email to post2028@bpa.gov

Dear Ms. Cooper and Ms. Thompson:

Consumers Power, Inc. (CPI) is an electric distribution cooperative providing service to 23,000 members in Lincoln, Benton, Linn, Polk, Marion, and Lane counties in Oregon. CPI is a founding member of PNGC Power and contributing member of the AHWM advocacy group for BPA's Provider of Choice (PoC) policy development process.

CPI has actively participated in a wide variety of Northwest public power forums during this past year, helping to craft PoC contract concepts that are balanced and fair to all BPA customer utilities to the greatest extent possible. Consequently, CPI supports all PoC comments submitted by PNGC and the AHWM group to date, as well as NRU's Equity Proposal and PPC's general framework built on the great work accomplished by the Executive Sponsors Committee. We think these bodies of work achieve the balance and fairness sought by NW public power, even if they are not universally supported.

We find BPA's reaction to date to PoC comments supported by a wide swath of public power disappointingly dismissive, so it seems pointless for us to submit comments related to the topics covered in the March 9, 2023 PoC workshop. In our view, BPA has yet to demonstrate any significant, meaningful interest in incorporating public power's collective ideas and desires into the next enduring BPA power supply contract, preferring instead to maintain policy concepts that serve its interests over public power's.

We urge BPA to show its commitment to fair and balanced policy proposals in the next power supply contract offerings by incorporating concepts arrived at through true compromise and supported by many in public power that have been previously submitted for consideration. Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roman E. Gillen".

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