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Christina J. Brannon  
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**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request**

Dear Ms. Brannon,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552 *et seq.*, and the regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Energy, 10 C.F.R. § 1004 *et seq.*, Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County, Washington ("Snohomish"), hereby requests production of the following documents:

- The business case developed by the Bonneville Power Administration ("Bonneville") for the proposed expansion of the California-Oregon Intertie (also known as the "Third AC Intertie" or "COI"), including analysis of the costs and benefits of the project and any executive summaries, keys to assumptions used in the business case, and other supporting documentation.
- Bonneville's analysis of any alternatives to the currently proposed project on the COI (including alternatives considered in prior years), including costs of and benefits arising from, where alternative construction options or alternative commercial options were considered, including supporting documentation and studies.
- Any Bonneville presentation materials or other documents describing the currently proposed project on the COI, including materials utilized in presentations to regional planning and/or coordinating groups, including ColumbiaGrid and the Northwest Transmission Assessment Committee ("NTAC").
- Reports and other documents discussing and/or analyzing the simulation of affects of alternatives to the currently proposed project on COI operations (including alternatives considered in prior years), including supporting documents and studies.
- Reports and other documents or studies discussing or analyzing the cost of upgrades required to achieve an increase in the Rated Transfer Capability of the COI to any rating above 4800, including supporting documentation and studies.

This request is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public understanding of the activities and operations of Bonneville, a governmental entity. Bonneville customers do

not currently understand the full extent of Bonneville's decision-making with respect to the proposed expansion of the COI, and the requested information would significantly increase the public understanding of the project. As a result, Snohomish requests a waiver of the search and reproduction fees. *See* 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii).

To the extent documents, or portions of documents, responsive to this request are withheld or otherwise not supplied, please identify those documents with specificity and state the specific exemption(s) that authorize such withholding, a brief explanation of how the exemption(s) apply to the records withheld, and a statement of why a discretionary release is not appropriate. *See* 10 C.F.R. § 1004.7.

Please send the requested documents, either in hard copy or electronically on CD-ROM or DVD-ROM, to Snohomish, care of Dana Toulson, at 2320 California Street, P.O. Box 1107, Everett, WA, 98206-1107. Snohomish is aware of the search and reproduction fees established under FOIA and, should Snohomish's request for a waiver of those fees be denied, is willing to promptly pay all such fees up to \$1,000.00. Please contact me if the fees for the requested documents exceed this amount.

Please send an additional copy of the requested documents, either in hard copy or electronically on CD-ROM or DVD-ROM, to the Third AC Intertie Capacity Owners listed in the attached appendix. To the extent these copies require additional search and reproduction fees, and Snohomish's request for a waiver of those fees is denied, Snohomish is not willing to bear those costs and requests that Bonneville collect such fees from the respective Capacity Owners.

If you have any questions regarding the above request, please contact me at (425) 783-8022. I look forward to and appreciate your cooperation and response.

Sincerely,



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cc: Vickie VanZandt, Senior Vice President, Transmission Business Line  
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