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November 20, 2000

BY HAND

The Honorable David P. Boergers
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Room 3110
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Avista Corporation, Bonneville Power Administration, Idaho Power Company, The Montana Power Company, Nevada Power Company, PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Company, Puget Sound Energy, Inc., Sierra Pacific Power Company, Docket No. RT01-35-000

Dear Mr. Boergers:

Enclosed for filing in the referenced proceeding are an original and fourteen copies of the "Motion to Intervene of Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District." Also enclosed are two additional copies of the filing which we ask that you stamp and give to the messenger for return to our office.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica J. Youle /JHT
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Enclosure
cc: Service List

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

Avista Corporation,)	
Bonneville Power Administration,)	Docket No. RT01-35-000
Idaho Power Company,)	
The Montana Power Company,)	
Nevada Power Company,)	
PacifiCorp,)	
Portland General Electric Company,)	
Puget Sound Energy, Inc.,)	
Sierra Pacific Power Company)	

**MOTION TO INTERVENE OF THE
SALT RIVER PROJECT AGRICULTURAL
IMPROVEMENT AND POWER DISTRICT**

Pursuant to Rules 212 and 214 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC" or "Commission"), 18 C.F.R. §§ 385.212 and 385.214, Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District ("SRP") respectfully moves to intervene in the above-referenced RTO West Regional Transmission Organization ("RTO") proceeding. In support of this Motion, SRP states as follows:

I. Service

The names and addresses of the persons to whom correspondence should be directed in this proceeding are:

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II. Basis for Intervention

On October 16, 2000 Avista Corporation, Bonneville Power Administration, Idaho Power Company, The Montana Power Company, Nevada Power Company, PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Company, Puget Sound Energy, Inc., and Sierra Pacific Power Company (collectively, "Filing Utilities") filed a status report on their efforts to participate in an RTO and their specific plans to join an RTO. On October 23, 2000, the Filing Utilities made a supplemental filing comprising their proposal to form an RTO. RTO West plans to cover most of the geographic and population areas of the States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah, and Nevada, as well as parts of Wyoming and California. Notice of RTO West's status filing was published on October 20, 2000 and notice of RTO West's supplemental filing was published on October 24, 2000. Interventions in both are due on November 20, 2000.

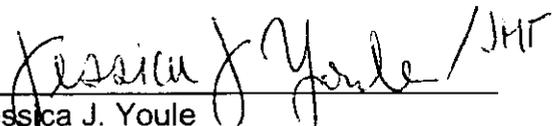
SRP is a political subdivision of the State of Arizona that owns and operates electric, irrigation and water supply systems in Arizona. SRP currently provides retail electric service to more than 700,000 residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural and mining customers in Arizona. SRP also provides open access transmission and power sales services to wholesale customers. SRP is a buyer and seller of power in the region

encompassed by RTO West. Accordingly, SRP has interests that will be affected directly by the outcome of this proceeding. In addition, SRP's participation in this proceeding will serve the public interest.

III. Conclusion

WHEREFORE, SRP respectfully requests that the Commission grant its motion to intervene with full rights as a party in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



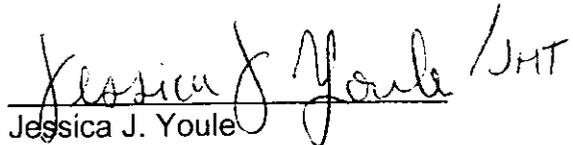
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the Motion to Intervene of Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding. Dated at Washington, D.C. this 20th day of November, 2000.


Jessica J. Youle
Attorney for Salt River Project Agricultural
Improvement and Power District