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

Avista Corporation)
The 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

MOTION TO INTERVENE OF SOUTHERN ENERGY NEVADA, L.L.C.

Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission's") Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2000), and the Commission's October 24, 2000 "Notice of Filing," Southern Energy Nevada, L.L.C. ("SE Nevada") files this Motion to Intervene in the above-referenced proceeding and, in support thereof, states as follows:

I. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The persons to whom correspondence, pleadings, and other papers regarding this proceeding should be addressed and whose names are to be placed on the Commission's official service list on behalf of SE Nevada are designated as follows, in accordance with Rule 203, 18 C.F.R. § 385.203:

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II. DESCRIPTION OF SE NEVADA.

SE Nevada is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Southern Energy, Inc. ("SEI"), which in turn is a partially-owned subsidiary of Southern Company ("Southern"), a registered holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended. In April 2000, SEI entered into an alliance with Apex Industrial Park, Inc. for the development of a 500 MW combined-cycle, natural gas-fired generation facility near Las Vegas, Nevada ("Apex Facility"), which will be owned by SE Nevada. SE Nevada intends to market the Apex Facility's capacity and electric power in southern Nevada, Desert Southwest, or the California SP-15 markets through Southern Company Energy Marketing, L.P., a wholly-owned subsidiary of SEI. Commercial operation of the Apex Facility is scheduled to commence in 2003.

III. MOTION TO INTERVENE.

On October 23, 2000, Avista Corporation, the 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, the "Filing Utilities") filed a Supplemental Compliance Filing and Request for Declaratory Order Pursuant to Order 2000 with the Commission pursuant to Commission Order No. 2000 and in accordance with 18 CFR 385.207(a)(2) (2000). Among other things, the filing describes the Filing Utilities' proposal to form a regional transmission organization (referred to as RTO West) that complies with the requirements of Order No. 2000. The filing also requests an expedited declaratory order from the Commission that certain aspects of the proposal, including the proposed governance documents and the scope and configuration of RTO West, are in accordance with applicable requirements under Order No. 2000.

SE Nevada moves to intervene in this proceeding on the grounds that, as the Apex Facility is likely to interconnect with and/or utilize the transmission assets of Sierra Pacific, one of the Filing Utilities, SE Nevada possesses interests which may be directly affected by the outcome of the proceeding. SE Nevada's interests in this proceeding cannot be adequately represented by any other party.

IV. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Southern Energy Nevada, L.L.C. respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Motion to Intervene and order that it be allowed to participate fully as a party to this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



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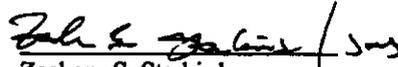
Attorney for Southern Energy Nevada, L.L.C.

Dated: November 20, 2000

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served, by first class mail, a copy of the foregoing document on each party named in the official service list in this proceeding.

Dated at Washington, D.C., this 20th day of November, 2000.



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