

October 31, 2002

Dear Project Management Office applicants:

As you may know, the Filing Utilities submitted a Stage 2 Filing and Request for Declaratory Order Pursuant to Order 2000 (“Stage 2 Filing”) on March 29, 2002 with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) in Docket No. RT01-35. FERC issued its order on the Stage 2 Filing on September 18, 2002 (the “September 18th Order”). The September 18th Order did not provide the expected final declaratory action of all of the aspects of the Stage 2 Filing for RTO West.

RTO West is terminating the Request for Proposal (“RFP”) for RTO West Implementation Services, RFP #RTOW-001, and will not accept any bids based on this RFP. RTO West expects to issue a new RFP with a reduced scope that reflects the current schedule for regulatory review.

RTO West thanks you for your interest and participation to date and welcomes your future interest in the new RFP. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

RTO WEST

Wayman Robinett

Wayman Robinett,
RTO West Board Chairman