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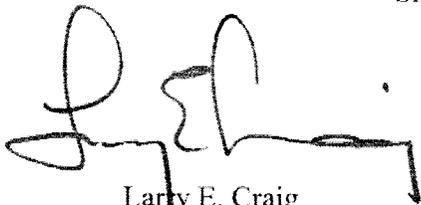
Dear Administrator Wright:

We share your view that a single regional transmission organization will be best not only for the Pacific Northwest, but particularly the ratepayers in Idaho. For this reason, we wish to express our concern that delays to the Grid West development process may jeopardize many years of work and may ultimately result in a split within the region.

We understand that you have decided to pursue a convergence of the differing concepts within the region rather than proceeding with the second Grid West decision point. Although we appreciate your efforts to bring as many of the stakeholders together as possible, we feel that continued delays will lead major stakeholders to pursue their own plans. For this reason, we strongly urge you to set a 30 day deadline to provide the certainty the major stakeholders require.

We appreciate your efforts to proceed with a final decision in which all of the major stakeholders in the region can participate. We pledge our support for a process with a certain end, and will continue to encourage all stakeholders to work together to achieve a single transmission organization over the next 30 days. While we do not expect that every concern will be addressed within this time frame, we do expect that your final proposal will address the necessary issues for achieving a single regional transmission organization. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Larry E. Craig  
United States Senator



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United States Senator