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CORPORATE

February 3, 2003

In reply refer to: KN-7

Mr. Tim Detzel
Newhouse News Service
1101 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Suite 300
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Detzel:

I have been designated by the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA's) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer as the Authorizing Official responsible for responding to the second portion of your FOIA request dated January 2, 2003, referenced as FOIA #03-015, which seeks copies of any BPA audits, internal or external, that examine energy trading practices.

I regret that I will be unable to respond to your request by the due date of February 4, 2003. As permitted by the statute, I am taking a ten working-day extension of time in which to respond to your request. The extension of time is necessary to complete the review process of the materials collected in response to your request.

Thank you for your patience. I will provide you with a response no later than February 19, 2003.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael R. Sparks".

Michael R. Sparks
Manager, Internal Audit.