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In reply refer to: KDP-7

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RE: FOIA Request #04-036

Dear Mr. Nelson:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated March 25, 2004, designated as FOIA #04-036. You requested copies of Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) transmission easements with Native Americans at to January 1, 1950.

In our search, we discovered that the documents we have in our files that are responsive to your request originated with the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). Under FOIA, we are unable to release these documents without prior review by the BIA FOIA office. We have forwarded these documents to Ms. Thelma Hargo, on behalf of BIA FOIA Officer, Ms. Willy Chism, for review. Upon review by BIA staff, they will notify me regarding the release of these documents to you.

I apologize for the delay in our response to your request and appreciate your patience. If you have any questions regarding the status of this FOIA, please contact my associate, Debra Smiley at (503) 230-3084.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Annie Eissler".

Annie Eissler
Freedom of Information Act Officer