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To: Brad Molnar, President, Montana PUC

Subject: Notification of consultation on the development of the Average System Cost Methodology for the Post-2028 period pursuant to Section 5(c)(7) of the Northwest Power Act.

As described in the Residential Exchange Program (REP) Comprehensive Plan, issued in July 2025, the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is conducting processes to prepare for implementation of the REP following the expiration of the 2012 Residential Exchange Program Settlement on September 30, 2028. As part of that preparation, BPA will be conducting a process to consider revisions to the Average System Cost Methodology (ASCM). Pursuant to Section 5(c)(7) of the Northwest Power Act, BPA intends to consult with the Montana Public Utility Commission on the ASCM and the proposed revisions.

To that end, BPA and commission staff will coordinate on setting up appropriate meetings.

We want to thank you for your engagement on the Average System Cost Methodology and look forward to working with the Montana Public Utility Commission on this important component of the REP for the post-2028 period.

Sincerely,

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