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**Re: Comments of Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County on  
BPA's Future Reliability Coordinator Services**

Snohomish appreciates the opportunity to comment on BPA's August 3, 2018 customer meeting regarding Reliability Coordinator ("RC") services. For the reasons BPA noted during the meeting, Snohomish supports BPA's selection of the California Independent System Operator, Inc. ("CAISO") as its next RC subject to conditions. In particular, CAISO's selection should be subject to:

- FERC acceptance of the CAISO RC Services Tariff and Services Agreement;
- Certification from NERC and WECC for CAISO to perform the functions of a Reliability Coordinator;
- BPA's acceptance of the Operating Procedures related to CAISO's RC services;
- BPA's acceptance of the Business Practice Manual related to CAISO's RC Services; and
- No major changes in CAISO's RC proposal, including cost, staffing, and governance structure.

As a Transmission Operator required to have an RC, Snohomish staff has actively participated in the various RC forums this past year where the future of the RC was discussed. We commend BPA and its staff for their leadership in those discussions and their advocacy on behalf of its customers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D. Martinsen".

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