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Montana Public Power Montana League of Cities and Towns 208 North Montana Ave. Helena, MT 59601 October 27, 2006 Steve Wright, Administrator Bonneville Power Administration P.O. Box 3621 Portland, OR 97208-3621 RE: Comments on Regional Dialogue proposal Dear Mr. Wright, We write again to voice our objection to the Regional Dialogue proposal regarding Tier 1 access for new publics. Because of the phase-in requirements, rate period and contract term limits it is unlikely that a large new public would be receiving its share of Tier 1 power even by the end of the proposed contract period in 2031. We do not believe this is reasonable or in the spirit of the law. At a minimum the 50 aMW cap per rate period and the 250 aMW cap for the contract period should be removed. These two limits are expressly aimed at large new publics. The only purpose they serve is to deprive large new publics from the same opportunities enjoyed by all other public utilities served by BPA. This is not a reasonable or defensible position. Sincerely, Mike Kadas Chair, MPPI