

Seattle City Light

Jorge Carrasco, Superintendent

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Stephen J. Wright Bonneville Power Administration Public Affairs Office - DKC-7 P.O. Box 14428 Portland, OR 97293-4428

RE: Comments on ColumbiaGrid's October 25, 2006 Draft for Public Comment, Planning and Expansion Functional Agreement

Dear Mr. Wright,

Thank you for providing the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft ColumbiaGrid Expansion and Planning Functional Agreement (Agreement). Seattle City Light (SCL) supports the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) commitment to developing a regional transmission planning and expansion framework.

SCL believes that BPA should sign the agreement for the following reasons:

- Our region will benefit from the coordinated sub-regional planning and expansion process provided for by the Agreement.
- The Agreement will provide for an open and transparent planning process.
- ColumbiaGrid will provide independent assessment of transmission reliability problems, identification of system needs, and determining responsibility for construction and upgrades.

Seattle looks forward to continuing its work with BPA on ColumbiaGrid and this important planning Agreement.

Sincerely,

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