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Sent via email to CRSPMCadj@wapa.gov

May 5, 2008

CRSP Management Center
150 E. Social Hall Avenue, Suite 300
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

RE: CRSP Rate Increase Comments of ATEA

To Whom It May Concern:

The Inter Tribal Council of Arizona hereby expresses its support of the Arizona Tribal Energy Association (ATEA) in its comments on Western's proposed CRSP rate increase. Representing tribes in Arizona that are experiencing broad-based consumer price increases, particularly in the energy sector, ITCA member tribes struggle to contain basic service costs for their members. The proposed CRSP rate increase will have a negative effect on ITCA tribes and their members.

It is our understanding that the proposed CRSP rate will generate, by 2025, \$368 million of funds toward "apportionment" payments to Upper Basin states even though no actual project expenditures have been or are currently projected to be made. As such, we object to this being included as a portion of the increase and do not support any increase taking effect at this time.

We hope you will consider these comments carefully, recognizing that every basic service cost increase disproportionately burdens those at the lowest socio-economic levels.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

John R. Lewis
Executive Director