1 QUALIFICATION STATEMENT OF 2 BYRON G. KEEP 3 Witness for the Bonneville Power Administration 4 Q. Please state your name, employer, and business address. 5 A. My name is Byron G. Keep. I am employed by the Bonneville Power Administration 6 (BPA), 905 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon. 7 Q. *In what capacity are you employed?* 8 A. I am a Public Utilities Specialist in the Power Products, Pricing and Rates section and the 9 Rates Analysis Process Manager for the Power Business Line. 10 Q. Please state your educational background. 11 A. I received a B.S. degree in Science from Oregon State University in 1968, a B.S. degree in 12 Mathematics and in Economics from Portland State University in 1974, and a M.S. degree in 13 Economics from Portland State University in 1976. My fields of concentration were 14 econometrics and public finance. 15 Q. Please summarize your professional experience. 16 A. In March 1976, I began work at BPA and after working in various positions at BPA, I began 17 working in the Division of Power Forecasting in January 1978. In that capacity, I worked 18 on various forecasting issues and conducted analyses involving various load and resource 19 scenarios. At the time of my transfer to the Rate Forecasting section, I was the technical 20 team leader responsible for regional industrial load forecasting. 21 In April 1982, I joined the Rate Forecasting section as the technical team leader 22 responsible for conducting the section 7(b)(2) rate test and BPA's long-term rate projections. 23 In this capacity, I was a member of the technical panel supporting the section 7(b)(2) rate 24 test. In addition, I worked on various other analyses, including the Washington Public 25 Power Supply System net billed nuclear project bond refinancing, repayment reform, the 26 3rd AC Intertie, the Columbia Basin Project, the resource strategy, and the joint

BPA/Regional Council long-term load forecast. Concurrently from March 1976 through March 1978, I was an economics instructor at Portland Community College and from January 1980 through June 1983, I was an Adjunct Professor of Economics at Portland State University.

In April 1992, I was appointed Acting Section Chief of the Rate Design section in the Branch of Power Rates.

For the 1993 rate case, I participated on panels that sponsored testimony in support of the Interim Rate Adjustment (IRA), the power shortage rate, and the unauthorized increase.

In September 1993, I was appointed Section Chief of the Rate Forecasting section, and in August 1994, I was selected as Manager for Rate Forecasting.

During the 1996 rate case, I was appointed Manager for Rate Forecasting and Analysis. In this capacity I co-sponsored testimony in support of The Wholesale Power Rate Development Study, in particular, how BPA modeled the development of rates. In addition, I continued to co-sponsor the testimony in support of the section 7(b)(2) rate test.

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