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In reply refer to: PL

Dear Interested Party:

First Public Meeting on Federal Power Subscription Held; Development Process and Issues Discussed

ACTION: Please find enclosed notes that summarize the information shared by PNUCC and the Bonneville Power Administration and comments made by the public at the March 11, 1997, public meeting on Federal Power Subscription. Also enclosed is the public involvement/communication plan for this process and a mailer card for you to return if you wish to continue to receive Federal Power Subscription materials as they become available. If you do not return the card, your name will be taken off the Federal Power Subscription mailing list.

BACKGROUND: On March 11, 1997, the work effort on implementing the Comprehensive Review's recommendations on Federal Power Subscription began with a kickoff meeting in Portland, Oregon. The meeting was open to the public. The meeting included an overview of the process and the tentative schedule and structure for its completion. Also discussed was the scope of the process, related issues and the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) strategy. The formation of a work group that will meet every two weeks for the next several months also was announced. The work group is open to the public, and all work group meetings and their locations will be available via the communications tools outlined in the public involvement/communication plan. Approximately 75 people attended the public meeting. For more information about the meeting, please refer to the enclosed notes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: If you have any questions, please refer to the enclosed public involvement/communication plan for a variety of communication opportunities. You may also contact the BPA Communications Office in Portland, at (503) 230-3478 or call toll free nationwide at 1-800-622-4519. If you wish to provide written comments at any time during this process, please send your comments to the Bonneville Power Administration, Office of Public Affairs, P.O. Box 12999, Portland, Oregon, 97212.

Sincerely,

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