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January 4, 2012

In reply refer to: DK – 7

Montana Department of Revenue
Attn: Kory Hofland
PO Box 7149
Helena, MT 59604

FOIA #BPA-2012-00507-F

Dear Ms. Hofland:

Thank you for your request for records that you made to the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552. Your letter was received in this office on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 and has been assigned a control number, BPA-2012-00507-F. Please use this number in any correspondence with the Agency about your request.

You have requested the following:

1. Copies of all contracts/ transmission agreements BPA has with Avista Corp, Northwestern Energy Corp, PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric, and Puget Sound Energy - to include a copy of the Montana Intertie agreement - to transmit power on the BPA 500 kv transmission system originating at Broadview, Montana and exiting Montana at Taft.
2. The Montana installed and depreciated cost, of the BPA 500 kv transmission system.
 - a. Broadview to Garrison, 500 kv transmission lines
 - b. Garrison to Taft, 500 kv transmission lines
 - c. Taft to Hot Springs, 500 kv transmission lines
 - d. Taft to Bell, 500 kv transmission lines
 - e. Taft to Dworshak, 500 kv transmission lines
 - f. Taft Substation
 - g. Garrison Substation
 - h. Hot Springs Substation
 - i. Any other related 500 kv transmission system assets
3. The contracted transmission capacity for each company listed above at each of the following substations:
 - a. Taft
 - b. Garrison
 - c. Hot Springs
 - d. Dworshak
 - e. Bell
4. A map that identifies the BPA lines and substations that relate to requests 1 through 3 above.

5. Identification of any other non-government entity which contracts with the BPA to transmit power on the 500 kv transmission lines in Montana.

We have reviewed your letter and have determined that it addresses all of the criteria of a proper request under the FOIA, DOE, and BPA regulation that implements the FOIA at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1004. You have agreed to pay fees associated with this request.

John Quinata is the designated Authorizing Official for your request. Mr. Quintana has twenty (20) working days to respond to your request. The due date for a response to you is Thursday, February 2, 2012.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. Please contact Kim Winn, Communications Specialist at 503-230-7305 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

/s/Christina J. Munro

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Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer



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February 3, 2012

In reply refer to: DK-7

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Attn: Kory Hofland
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FOIA #BPA-2012-00507-F

Dear Ms. Hofland:

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is taking an allowed ten working-day extension starting today, February 3, 2012, in order to complete your FOIA request.

You requested:

1. Copies of all contracts/ transmission agreements BPA has with Avista Corp, Northwestern Energy Corp, PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric, and Puget Sound Energy - to include a copy of the Montana Intertie agreement - to transmit power on the BPA 500 kv transmission system originating at Broadview, Montana and exiting Montana at Taft.
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5. Identification of any other non-government entity which contracts with the BPA to transmit power on the 500 kv transmission lines in Montana.

The new target date for your response is Thursday, February 16, 2012.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. Please contact Kim Winn, Communication Specialist at 503-230-7305 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

/s/Christina J. Munro

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