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August 18, 2011

In reply refer to: DK-7

John F. Bradach, Sr. Bradach Law Offices Portland Union Station 800 NW 6th Ave., Suite 209 Portland, Oregon 97209-3783

FOIA #BPA-2011-01700-F

Dear Mr. Bradach:

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 today, and has been assigned a control number, BPA-2011-01700-F. Please use this number in any correspondence with the Agency about your request.

You have requested the following:

- 1. All documents or records relating to the excavation for or construction of the foundations for the two BPA transmission towers in the Bonneville Coulee Line No. 1, identified as "Tower 17/6" (located nearest to the initial alignment of the Project's Dog Creek Bore No. 1), and "Tower 16/3" (located nearest to the initial alignment of the Project's Canyon Bore no. 2). This request includes without limitation, the BPA contract under which those two towers were constructed and any daily reports, diaries, photos of the excavation for or construction of the foundations for those towers by BPA, the contractor or any subcontractor at any tier.
- 2. All documents or records containing any information about the subsurface soils conditions at the locations of towers 17/6 and 16/3, including without limitation any geotechnical explorations, bore logs or records, geotechnical reports, blasting logs or any other records of the soil conditions during the course of excavation or construction.

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 up to \$500 in fees.

Glenn Van Bergen is the designated Authorizing Official for your request. Mr. Van Bergen has twenty (20) working days to respond to your request. The due date for a response to you is Tuesday, September 13, 2011.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. Please contact Cheri L. Benson, FOIA/Privacy Act Specialist at 503-230-7305 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

/S/Christina J. Munro Christina J. Munro Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer

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Dear Mr. Bradach:

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is taking an allowed ten working-day extension starting today, Sept. 13, 2011, in order to complete your FOIA request.

You requested:

All documents or records relating to the excavation for or construction of the foundations for the two BPA transmission towers in the Bonneville Coulee Line No. 1, identified as "Tower 17/6" and "Tower 16/3." This request includes, without limitation, the BPA contract under which those two towers were constructed, and any daily reports, diaries, photos of the excavation for or construction of the foundations for those towers by BPA, the contractor or any subcontractor at any tier.

All documents or records containing any information about the subsurface soils conditions at the locations of towers 17/6 and 16/3, including without limitation any geotechnical explorations, bore logs or records, geotechnical reports, blasting logs or any other records of the soil conditions during the course of excavation or construction.

The new target date for your response is Monday, Sept. 26, 2011. I appreciate the opportunity to assist you. Please contact Cheri Benson, FOIA/Privacy Act Specialist at (503) 230-7305 with any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

/S/Christina J. Munro Christina J. Munro Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer