

December 8, 2015

Via electronic mail

Chairman Norman C. Bay  
Commissioner Tony Clark  
Commissioner Colette D. Honorable  
Commissioner Cheryl A. LaFleur  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: EL15-100 - Northwest Power Pool Members' Market  
Assessment and Coordination Committee

Dear Chairman Bay and Commissioners Clark, Honorable and LaFleur:

By letter filed today, the Northwest Power Pool Members' Market Assessment and Coordination Committee ("NWPP MC") asks the Commission to hold in abeyance its consideration of the request for declaratory order filed in this docket on September 4, 2015. As represented in the request filed today, events over the past several months have complicated our effort to reach broad regional consensus on market alternatives for the Northwest. The applicants anticipate providing an update in January of 2016.

As CEO Co-Chairs of the NWPP MC effort, we are grateful to you, your staffs and to other Commission staff members who were instrumental in assisting us in our effort. We appreciate very much the time you devoted to meeting with us, and your guidance in helping us frame issues for the Commission's consideration. We value greatly the working relationships we have been able to form with you and your staffs in this process and will plan to continue to work with you as we consider other ways of maximizing value for consumers in the NWPP region.

We anticipate being in touch regarding our next steps in the region, and would be pleased to field any of your questions.

Yours truly,

/s/

Bill Gaines, CEO and Director, Tacoma Public Utilities

/s/

Elliot Mainzer, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration

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Jason Thackston, Senior Vice President, Energy Resources, Avista