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TRANSMISSION SERVICES

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In reply refer to: TEP-TPP-1

To: Parties Interested in the Big Eddy-Knight Transmission Project

I am writing to notify you that the energization schedule for the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) Big Eddy-Knight Transmission Line Project in Wasco County, Oregon and Klickitat County, Washington has been delayed.

BPA needs more time to address and complete cultural resource and land acquisition processes that are part of this project; these processes are ongoing. When BPA began construction activities in fall 2011, we anticipated energizing the line in the winter of 2013. At present, BPA estimates construction will be completed and the line energized, in winter 2014. BPA will notify you when the timing for completing the project has been determined.

This project consists primarily of constructing an approximately 28-mile-long, 500-kilovolt (kV) transmission line and ancillary facilities between BPA's existing Big Eddy Substation in The Dalles, Oregon, and the new Knight Substation that will connect to an existing BPA line about four miles northwest of Goldendale, Washington.

Construction activity on most of the project will continue. The delay will affect only certain parts of the project.

We appreciate your understanding regarding the schedule change. Information about this project is available at *www.bpa.gov/go/BEK*. I would be happy to discuss the project with you and can be reached toll free 800-622-4519, direct 360-619-6116 or by email at *ejaramillo@bpa.gov*.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

/s/ Emmanuel Jaramillo

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