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In reply refer to: TEP-TPP-3

To: Parties interested in the Central Ferry to Lower Monumental 500-kilovolt Transmission Line Project

I am sending this letter to update you on the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) plans for its Central Ferry to Lower Monumental 500-kilovolt Transmission Line Project.

The project consists of about 38 miles of new 500-kV single circuit transmission line. When constructed, the line would run from BPA's Central Ferry Substation near the Port of Central Ferry in Garfield County, generally west through Garfield, Columbia, and Walla Walla counties to BPA's Lower Monumental Substation in Walla Walla County.

BPA does not have confirmation from its transmission customers as to when their generation projects will require transmission service. As a result, BPA will not begin construction activities on the Central Ferry to Lower Monumental Transmission Line Project in summer 2012.

Other factors could impact the timing of this project as well. Proposed generation projects in Montana may need the Central Ferry to Lower Monumental line even sooner than our customers developing wind in your area. At present, BPA estimates construction could begin as early as spring 2013, depending on the confirmed needs of our transmission customers. BPA will notify you once the timing for construction of this project has been determined.

We appreciate your understanding regarding the schedule change. Information about this project is available at www.bpa.gov/go/centralferrylomo. I would be happy to discuss the project with you and can be reached toll free 800-622-4519, direct 360-619-6313 or by email at tmberry@bpa.gov.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "T M Berry".

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