



# Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body

October 6, 2006

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*John Savage*  
Chair

The Honorable Joseph T. Kelliher, Chairman  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

*Via Federal Express:*

Dear Chairman Kelliher:

The Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body (WIRAB) submits its second formal advice (“Advice”) to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on the North American Electric Reliability Council’s (NERC’s) submission of its proposed Calendar Year 2007 budget and the budget of the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC).

WIRAB offers the Advice to address proposed fee assessments within the Western Interconnection pursuant to Section 215(j) of the Federal Power Act and the Commission’s July 20, 2006 Order in Docket RR-06-2-000.

WIRAB members unanimously approved the attached Advice. The current WIRAB members represent eleven states with at least one-half of their load in the Western Interconnection (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming), one state with less than half their load in the Western Interconnection (South Dakota), and two Canadian Provinces (Alberta and British Columbia).

In developing the Advice, WIRAB applied the requirement of Section 215(j) that standards must be just, reasonable, not unduly discriminatory or preferential, and in the public interest.

The Honorable Joseph T. Kelliher  
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WIRAB would be pleased to discuss our views on this topic and related matters in the future. We look forward to working towards our mutual objective of a reliable power grid in the Western Interconnection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John F. Savage". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John Savage, Chairman  
Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body

Cc: The Honorable Suedeen Kelly  
The Honorable Phillip Moeller  
The Honorable Marc Spitzer  
The Honorable Jon Wellinghoff  
John Moot, General Counsel  
Joe McClelland, Director, Division of Reliability  
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