



January 31, 2018

Mr. Will Rosquist
Administrator, Regulatory Division
Montana Public Service Commission
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RE: Docket Nos. D2016.4.33/D2017.8.65 – CREP Waiver
First Set of Data Requests to Montana Environmental Information Center and Northwest
Energy Coalition (NWE-001-NWE-005)

Dear Mr. Rosquist:

Enclosed for filing is NorthWestern Energy's first set of data requests to the Montana
Environmental Information Center and Northwest Energy Coalition (NWE-001-NWE-005).

These data requests will be hand delivered this day to the PSC and the MCC, e-filed with the
PSC, emailed to counsel of record, and mailed to the remainder of the service list.

If you have any questions, please call Joe Schwartzenberger at (406) 497-3362.

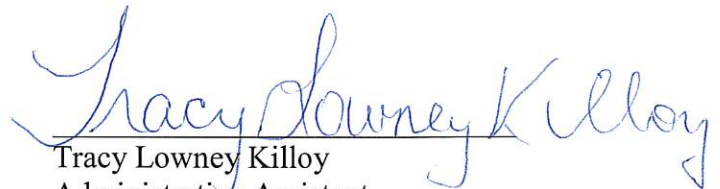
Sincerely,

Tracy Lowney Killoy
Administrative Assistant
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of NorthWestern Energy's First Set of Data Requests to MEIC and the Northwest Energy Coalition (NWE-001-NWE-005) in consolidated Docket Nos. D2016.4.33/D2017.8.65 has been hand delivered to the Montana Public Service Commission (MPSC) and the Montana Consumer Counsel this date. It has also been e-filed on the MPSC's website, emailed to counsel of record, and mailed by First Class Mail to the remainder of the Service List.

Date: January 31, 2018


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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern)
Energy's Petition for a Waiver from) REGULATORY DIVISION
Compliance with the Community Renewable)
Energy Project Purchase Obligation for) DOCKET NO. D2016.4.33
Calendar Years 2015 and 2016) DOCKET NO. D2017.8.65

**NORTHWESTERN ENERGY'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS
TO MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER
AND NORTHWEST ENERGY COALITION**

NWE-001 Regarding: Qualifications
Witness: Fadie and Rivas

Please provide your qualifications as they relate to evaluation of energy resources.

NWE-002 Regarding: Qualifications
Witness: Rivas

Please provide your qualifications as they relate to utility management and obligations.

NWE-003 Regarding: Qualifications
Witness: Fadie

Please provide your qualifications as they relate to statutory and legal interpretation.

NWE-004 Regarding: Expert witness
Witness: Fadie and Rivas

- a. Outside of this proceeding, have you ever been retained to testify as an expert witness in court or before an administrative agency?
- b. If the answer to subpart a is yes, please list all matters for which you were retained as an expert, including venue, docket number, whom you were testifying on behalf of, and subject matter of expert testimony.
- c. Please produce copies of any expert opinions or testimonies you provided in the matters noted in your answer to subpart b above.

NWE-005 Regarding: Existing CREP-eligible resources
 Witness: Rivas

Please identify all CREP-eligible projects existing in 2015 or 2016 of which you are aware that were offered to NorthWestern and that NorthWestern refused to consider acquiring.