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Ms. Anita J. Decker
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RE: Western/DOE JOT Draft Recommendations to Secretary Chu

Dear Ms. Decker:

This firm represents Electrical District Number Eight, an Arizona power district that receives Hoover power from Western Area Power Administration (Western) through the Arizona Power Authority, and uses that power to serve irrigation water pumping and related agricultural loads in rural Arizona. We are writing to express our serious concerns about Secretary Chu's March 26, 2012 Memorandum to the PMAs, and particularly its implications for Western.

We have reviewed the Western/DOE Joint Outreach Team (JOT) Draft Recommendations proposed to be submitted to Secretary Chu. On behalf of Electrical District Number Eight, we are registering support for those comments on the JOT Draft Recommendations submitted by the Colorado River Energy Distributors Association, and those submitted by the Irrigation & Electrical Districts' Association of Arizona.

The contact information requested is set forth in the above letterhead. We appreciate the efforts of the JOT to receive customer input. Thank you for your serious consideration of the referenced comments, and for your personal attention to the particular facts and attributes of Western's multiple regions, projects and systems as Western continues its process of responding to the Secretary.

Respectfully yours,



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cc: Ron Rayner, Chairman
Jim Downing, Administrator