Bonneville Power Administration

memorandum

DATE: April 26, 2004

REPLY TO ATTN OF: KEP-4

SUBJECT: Supplement Analysis for the Transmission System Vegetation Management Program FEIS

(DOE/EIS-0285/SA-209-Toledo Wendson) Project #: V-E-04/25

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<u>Proposed Action</u>: Vegetation Management on the Toledo-Wendson #1 230 kV Transmission Line Corridor, Toledo Substation to Wendson Substation.

Location: The project area is located in Lincoln and Lane Counties, Oregon, Eugene Region.

Proposed by: Bonneville Power Administration.

<u>Description of the Proposed Action</u>: BPA proposes to remove unwanted vegetation along the right-of-way, access roads, switch platforms, and around tower structures that can potentially interfere with the operation, maintenance, and reliability of the transmission lines. Vegetation management work will occur between the Toledo and Wendson Substation of the Toledo-Wendson 230 kV reference transmission line. The project encompasses the entire right of way width for all BPA transmission lines in the right of way corridor.

<u>Analysis</u>: A checklist was completed for this project in accordance with the requirements identified in the Bonneville Power Administrations Transmission System Vegetation Management Program FEIS (DOE/EIS-0285). The checklist evaluated the following areas:

- Description of right-of-way and vegetation management needed
- Vegetation to be controlled
- Surrounding land use and landowner
- Natural Resource
- Vegetation control methods
- *Debris disposal.*
- Monitoring
- Appropriate environmental documentation

<u>Finding</u>: This Supplement Analysis finds that: (1) the proposed actions are substantially consistent with the Transmission System Vegetation Management Program FEIS (DOE/EIS-0285) and ROD; and (2) there are no new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns and bearing on the proposed actions or their impacts. Therefore, no further NEPA documentation is required.

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CONCUR: /s/ Thomas C. McKinney DATE: 4/27/2004

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Attachment

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