



NORTHERN LARAMIE RANGE ALLIANCE

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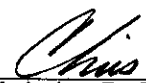
Re: Proposed Segements 1E and 1E Alternate of the Gateway West Project

Dear Mr. Walje:

Attached for your review is the Northern Laramie Range Alliance's letter of today's date. Should an error occur in the transmission of this letter, please ask your assistant to call me at (307) 266-1498 and I will refax the letter.

Thank you,

THE NORTHERN LARAMIE RANGE ALLIANCE

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Mr. Richard Walje
Chief Executive Officer
Rocky Mountain Power
201 South Main Street
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Dear Mr. Walje:

Re: Proposed Segments 1E and 1E Alternate of the Gateway West Project

First, on behalf of the members of the Northern Laramie Range Alliance, thank you very much for taking the time to tour the 1E and 1E Alternate routes and attend our most recent public meeting in Douglas. While our Alliance has taken vigorous exception to Rocky Mountain Power's initial proposals for routing Segment 1E and 1E Alternate of Gateway West, we appreciate the Company's willingness to engage with us in pursuit of an approach that can satisfy its obligations to its customers while avoiding the problems associated with establishing new transmission corridors through the Northern Laramie Mountains.

We also appreciate your confirming, in your remarks at the Alliance meeting on July 9 and in later reported comments, that Rocky Mountain Power no longer intends to develop the Segment 1E or 1E Alternate routes, or other new corridors through the Northern Laramies. It also was good to hear that the timetable for preparation of a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) will be extended so that, among other things, the Company can revise its application with the BLM to reflect the decision not to establish new transmission corridors through the Northern Laramies and allow more public comment.

In conversations with officials in the BLM's Wyoming office, we were assured that it would entertain favorably Rocky Mountain Power's revising its application for use of federal land in the Gateway West project so that the draft EIS, when issued later this year, will not include the proposed Segment 1E or 1E Alternate routes or other new corridors in the Northern Laramie Range. This will, of course, save everyone concerned a great deal of time and effort and enable the Company, the BLM, and the public to focus exclusively on completing the NEPA process for a much-better-routed Gateway West.

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Again, thank you very much for working with us on this important matter.

Sincerely,

THE NORTHERN LARAMIE RANGE ALLIANCE

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