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RE: Case No. WWP-E-97-9

       WWP 1997 Electric Integrated Resource Plan

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that the Commission has completed its review of the Company’s 1997 Electric Integrated Resource Plan submitted in Case No. WWP-E-97-9 and has considered the filings of record including the comments of Commission Staff.  By this letter we accept the filing and acknowledge that it satisfies the Commission’s requirements as set forth in Order No. 22299, Case No. U-1500-165.  We appreciate the Company’s efforts and hope that the preparation of the document has proven to be of operational benefit.

Sincerely,

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