



February 7, 2012

Breanne Potter
Assistant Commission Secretary
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA
1150 East William Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109

Re: Docket No. 06-12020 – Application of Nevada Power Company for a UEPA Permit to Construct the Valley Electric Association Interconnection Project – Withdrawal of Application

Dear Ms. Potter:

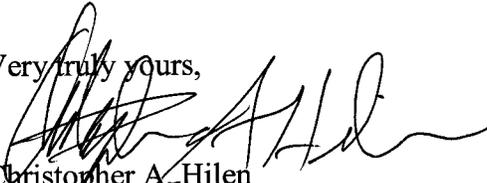
Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy (“Nevada Power”) respectfully withdraws its Application Under the Utility Environmental Protection Act (“UEPA”) for a Permit to Construct the Valley Electric Association Interconnection Project (the “Application”) in the above-referenced docket.

Nevada Power filed this Application with the Commission on December 15, 2006. The scope of the project for which a UEPA permit to construct was requested included: (1) A new 230 kV breaker and associated equipment at Nevada Power’s Northwest Substation; (2) a new 230 kV bus at the Northwest Substation; (3) approximately 1,000 feet of underground cable; and (4) approximately 6 miles of overhead 230 kV line and associated poles and equipment running from the Northwest Substation to an interconnection pole structure. The proposed facilities would have been located on federal land owned by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs in the northwest Las Vegas Valley across lands under the jurisdictions of the City of Las Vegas and unincorporated Clark County, Nevada.

The scope of the facilities to be constructed by Nevada Power has now been reduced and will be limited to improvements to the Northwest Substation. Because the Northwest Substation is located entirely within the boundaries of the City of Las Vegas, the facilities to be constructed do not constitute a “Utility Facility” under 704.860.2 and thus do not require a UEPA permit to construct.

If you have any questions about this withdrawal, please do not hesitate to contact me at (775) 834-5696.

Very truly yours,


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cc: Service List Docket 06-12020