

APPENDIX A

# **Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement**

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## Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration  
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ENVIRONMENT, FISH AND WILDLIFE

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In reply refer to: KEC-4

To Those Interested in the COB Energy Facility:

This is to inform you of Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA's) intent to prepare an environmental impact statement on the proposed transmission system interconnection of the COB Energy Facility. The project site is near Bonanza, Klamath County, Oregon. Enclosed is a copy of BPA's official notice.

You may already be aware that Peoples Energy Resources Corporation (Peoples Energy) has submitted a Notice of Intent to apply for an Oregon Energy Facility Site Certificate for the COB Energy Facility. Peoples Energy has also requested that BPA interconnect the proposed facility to BPA's transmission system.

**Public meeting:** The Oregon Office of Energy (OOE) will manage the Oregon Energy Facility Site Certificate process. As practical, BPA will participate with OOE public involvement opportunities to identify public interests and concerns regarding the COB Energy Facility. Accordingly, BPA will participate in OOE's public meeting scheduled for January 15, 2002, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, at Bonanza Public Library, 31703 Highway 70, Bonanza, Oregon. BPA will use comments from this meeting to help determine issues to address in the EIS.

**Other ways to comment:** You may also write a letter to BPA, Communications – KC-7, P.O. Box 12999, Portland, Oregon 97212; call BPA's toll-free comment line at 800-622-4519, and leave a message; or send an e-mail to [comment@bpa.gov](mailto:comment@bpa.gov). Please comment by February 26, 2002. Release of the draft EIS in late summer 2002 will present another opportunity to comment on BPA's proposed interconnection of the COB Energy Facility.

**For more information:** You may call me toll-free at 1-800-282-3713, directly at 503-230-4749, or send an e-mail to [tc McKinney@bpa.gov](mailto:tc McKinney@bpa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas C. McKinney".

Thomas C. McKinney  
Environmental Project Lead

Enclosure: Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS