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TO: Mr. Lanny Nickell, Manager, Coordinated Operations

Dear Mr. Nickell:

I have attached a letter regarding the final Southwest Power Pool reliability coordinator final audit report.

<<SPP Final Report Letter.pdf>>

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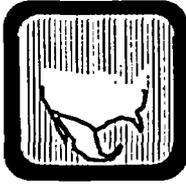
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July 12, 2005

Mr. Lanny Nickell
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Dear Mr. Nickell:

Southwest Power Pool Readiness Audit Report

A copy of the audit team's final report for the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) readiness audit, completed on April 21, 2005 as been posted on the NERC Web site <http://www.nerc.com/~rap/audits.html> in accordance with the Compliance and Certification Committee procedure.

That procedure states:

The final audit report will be posted to the NERC Web site. Should there be a disagreement regarding the findings and recommendations, the control area may provide a statement in writing to be posted in conjunction with the final audit report.

Should the control area seek adjudication of the dispute through the dispute resolution process, it shall notify NERC within thirty days from the time the audit is posted and transmitted to the control area.

Information identified as critical energy infrastructure is contained in Appendix 1 of the report. This confidential discussion is provided to SPP in a private version and has been redacted from the public version of the report posted on the NERC Web site.

The audit report includes several recommendations from the audit team. SPP is to submit an improvement plan addressing each of these recommendations. SPP, working with NERC, will monitor the implementation of these plans.

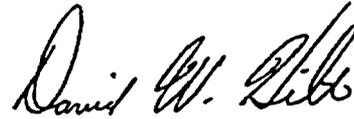
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Once again I would like to thank you and your staff for all of your support during this audit and would welcome any suggestions you may have to improve the audit process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W. Hilt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "H".

David W. Hilt
Vice President-Compliance

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