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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Power Committee

**FROM:** Terry Morlan

**SUBJECT:** Discussion of Action Plan for the Sixth Power Plan

Development of the Action Plan for the Sixth Power Plan is still in the early stages. However, we should have a discussion of the proposed action items. The Action Plan should include the important activities that need to occur in the next five years to implement the Council's Power Plan and to move toward the vision of the future power system.

Because there is a lot of detail in the Action Plan, discussion will need to focus on major actions. Staff will discuss these actions with Power Committee members. Some of the major actions relate to:

- Achieving energy efficiency goals;
- Developing regional approaches to assessing conservation achievements, validating savings, and crediting savings;
- Identifying small scale and cost-effective generating resources;
- Sharing responsibility for assessing new resource potential with Bonneville and utilities;
- Developing an improved understanding of flexibility reserve requirements, and develop measures of flexibility in the hydroelectric system and other resources available to the region;
- Pursuing research and demonstration pilot programs to test new resources that have potential to provide energy, capacity, and flexibility to the power system;
- Assess the achievements of the power system in meeting reduced carbon goals, assess the effectiveness of policies;
- Demonstrate and develop improved demand response programs, advance and test smart grid concepts;
- Participate in and track West-wide efforts to improve transmission planning, wind integration, and resource adequacy; and
- Bonneville consistency with Power Plan.