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Christopher Magee Department of Energy Western Area Power Administration 12155 W. Alameda Parkway Lakewood, CO 80228-8213

Dear Mr. Magee:

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) acknowledges receipt of the Department of Energy Western Area Power Administration's (WAPA) report on the loss of one cubic foot of Power Marketing Rates Case files and supporting documentation.

According to the report, the records were shipped by UPS from WAPA's Sierra Nevada Region (SNR) but they never arrived at their final destination. WAPA SNR staff submitted a claim to UPS and an investigation was conducted but the records were never found and the case was closed. We understand that, if necessary, the information contained in the lost files can be re-created from other sources. We further understand that to prevent future incidents, all WAPA regions are now advised to ship records overnight, next day air, or to palletize shipments when at a large volume.

Based on this information, the reporting requirements of 36 CFR 1230.14(a) have been met and NARA considers this matter closed. I appreciate your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please contact the Records Management Oversight and Reporting Program by email at UnauthorizedDisposition@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

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