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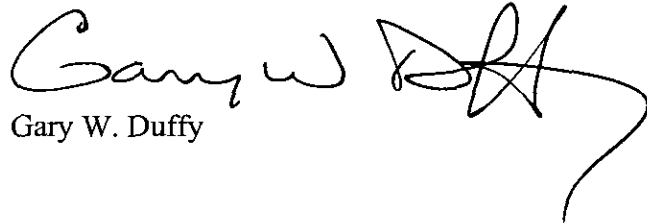
RE: The Empire District Electric Company
Southwest Power Pool RTO
Case No. EO-2002-24

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding please find an original and eight copies of a Notice of Withdrawal of Request for Finding of Lack of Jurisdiction Or, In the Alternative, Application.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely yours,


Gary W. Duffy

Enclosures

cc w/encl: Office of Public Counsel
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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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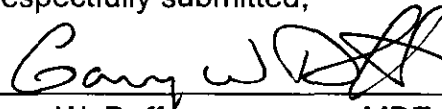
In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company joining the Regional Transmission)
Organization of the Southwest Power Pool.)

Case No. EO-2002-24

**NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF
REQUEST FOR FINDING OF LACK OF JURISDICTION
OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, APPLICATION**

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") by and through its counsel, and pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.116(1) hereby gives notice that it voluntarily withdraws its "Request for Finding of Lack of Jurisdiction Or, in the Alternative, Application," filed on July 10, 2001. Since no prepared testimony has been filed or oral evidence offered, no leave of the Commission is required for this voluntary dismissal.

Respectfully submitted,



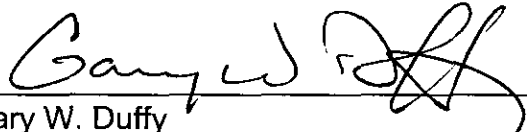
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Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was hand delivered this 13th day of November, 2001, to the Office of the Public Counsel and the Office of the General Counsel.



Gary W. Duffy

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