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Office of Dispute Resolution

Washington, D.C. 20530

October 22, 2009

The Honorable Steven Chu
Secretary for the U.S. Department of Energy
Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Secretary Chu,

This is in reference to the letter dated January 15, 2009, from your predecessor, Honorable Samuel W. Bodman, which accompanied a policy document outlining guidance for the use of binding arbitration in specified cases by the Bonneville Power Administration.

The Attorney General has reviewed the document "Bonneville Power Administration's Guidance on the Use of Binding Arbitration for BPA Contracts" and concurs with the proposed policy for use of binding arbitration which is contained therein. Mr. Holder's concurrence is dated October 9, 2009.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further information.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joanna M. Jacobs".

Joanna M. Jacobs
Acting Director and Senior Counsel