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December 10, 2012

James A. Cagney
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Dear Jim,

As part of the preparation of Environmental Impact Statements for the Transwest Express Transmission Project and the Energy Gateway South Transmission Project, Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) has received information requests for stipulations on the Tuttle Conservation Easement in Moffat County. Each transmission project has routes that cross the Tuttle Conservation Easement, which was approved by the Parks and Wildlife Commission in mid October of 2012.

For your records, the stipulations on this perpetual conservation easement expressly prohibit the building or installing of any new above ground utilities, including transmission lines. CPW finds the prospect of additional transmission lines bisecting this conservation easement unacceptable, and it is apparent from discussions with the landowner that he holds this viewpoint as well. Additionally, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has contributed significant federal funds in establishing this easement to protect important wildlife habitat, and additional disturbances and structures on this property would significantly diminish the habitat values of the easement.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you can contact me at 970-255-6179.

Sincerely,

Ron Velarde
Northwest Regional Manager

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December 16, 2012

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Dear Jim,

As part of the preparation of Environmental Impact Statements for the West
Gateway Transmission Project and the Energy Gateway South Transmission
Project, Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) has received information requests for
revisions on the Tule Conservation Easement in Moffat County. Each
transmission project has routes that cross the Tule Conservation Easement, which
was approved by the Parks and Wildlife Commission in mid October of 2012.

For your records, the stipulations on this proposed conservation easement
expressly prohibit the building or installing of any new above ground utilities,
including transmission lines. CPW finds the prospect of additional transmission
lines breaching this conservation easement unacceptable, and it is apparent from
discussions with the landowner that he holds this viewpoint as well. Additionally,
the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has contributed significant federal funds in
establishing this easement to protect important wildlife habitat, and additional
disturbances and structures on this property would significantly diminish the
habitat values of the easement.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you can contact me at 970-522-
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Sincerely,

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