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ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

Ms. Julie Roemele
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Dear Ms. Roemele:

The Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) is considering a pre-construction loan application filed by DCR Transmission, LLC, for its Ten West Link Transmission Line Project (Project). A final environmental impact statement (Final EIS) was prepared by the Bureau of Land Management for the proposed Project. WAPA was a cooperating agency in the preparation of this Final EIS.

WAPA is notifying you that it has adopted the Final EIS as DOE/EIS-0536. Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.3(c), WAPA is not recirculating the document for comment. The Final EIS included WAPA's purpose and need statement and summarizes WAPA's federal action. WAPA conducted an independent review of the Final EIS and has determined that it is fully adequate to support WAPA's federal action. WAPA's adoption is in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations (40 CFR 1506.3).

The availability of the Final EIS was published in the *Federal Register* on September 13, 2019 and is entered in EPA's database as EIS No. 20190223. Please list this Final EIS for the Ten West Link Transmission Line Project (DOI-BLM-AZ-C020-2016-0010-EIS, adopted as DOE/EIS-0536) in the *Federal Register* and identify the following contact person: Mark Wieringa at wieringa@wapa.gov. The Final EIS is available on the Department of Energy's NEPA website at www.energy.gov/nepa/eis-0536-ten-west-link-transmission-line-project-maricopa-and-la-paz-counties-arizona-and, which may be cited in the *Federal Register* notice. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Lynn Burkett", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

ELynn Burkett
Natural Resources Manager