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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA**

IN THE MATTER of NorthWestern Energy's)	
Application for Approval of Deferred Cost)	
Account Balances for Electricity Supply)	
Costs and Colstrip Unit 4 (CU4) Variable)	DOCKET NO. D2011.5.38
Costs/Credits and Projected Electricity)	
Supply Cost Rates and CU4 Variable Rates)	

COMES NOW NorthWestern Energy, District XI Human Resource Council and Natural Resources Defense Council, and the Montana Consumer Counsel, through their undersigned counsel, and hereby agree to waive their opportunity for a hearing in the above-referenced Docket. The parties further stipulate that all of the documents filed in this Docket shall be admitted into evidence and move the Commission to issue an order admitting the agreed upon documents into the record and to issue a final decision in this Docket without a hearing conducted pursuant to § 69-3-303, MCA.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of January, 2012.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of NorthWestern Energy (NWE), District XI Human Resource Council (HRDC), Natural Resource Defense Council (NRDC), and Montana Consumer Counsel (MCC) agreement to waive their opportunity for a hearing in Docket D2011.5.38 (Electric Tracker), has been served by delivering a copy to The Montana Public Service Commission and the Montana Consumer Counsel. It has been efiled with PSC and mailed to the service list in this Docket.

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