

January 12, 2009

Colorado Public Utilities Commission  
1560 Broadway, Suite 250  
Denver, CO 80202  
Attn: Mr. Matt Baker, Commissioner

Subject: January 8, 2009 meeting

Dear Commissioner Baker,

Thank you and your staff for meeting with Chris Pague and me this past Thursday. We appreciated the opportunity to discuss conservation priorities in Eastern Colorado and how information regarding those priorities can be used to aid decision makers in guiding the development of electrical transmission infrastructure.

The copies of the Central Shortgrass Prairie Plan that we left with you describe these priorities and document the technical bases for formulating the plan and setting goals for the conservation areas that are described in it.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and the Public Utilities Commission to support your processes as you seek to make good decisions to ensure that Colorado benefits from reliable and quality electrical services in a complex context.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I may be of assistance to you. I can be reached at (303) 547-7317 or [wburnidge@tnc.org](mailto:wburnidge@tnc.org).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

William S. Burnidge