



July 1, 2019

Tri-State Generation & Transmission Assn.
Attn: Rick Gordon, Duane Highley and Scott Wolfe
1100 West 116th Ave.
Westminster, CO 80234

Dear Rick, Duane and Scott,

We are writing to you on the issue of Tri-State becoming rate regulated under the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or FERC. We respectfully ask Tri-State to be methodical and to allow adequate time for a more complete understanding of this process by the membership. The reason for this request is twofold; First, it is counterproductive and out of sequence for Tri-State to introduce a new class of membership without first engaging the contract committee and receiving the benefit of the recommendations it produces. We believe it is imperative for the committee to have a full understanding of the value, impact and need for this new membership, before any board action. We assert that the committee should be provided an opportunity to make recommendations to the board regarding any new class of membership prior to any being created.

Second, there is benefit to providing a more in-depth analysis of the reasons for, and ramifications of becoming FERC regulated. This can be partially achieved by providing memorialized responses to the questions already asked at the committee and through other channels. We request that you allow time for further questions and answers regarding the purpose, process and anticipated impact to the membership. Your attention and consideration towards these requests are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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