

**Responses to Comments in Letter 162 from Denise Mullen-Dalmer,  
British Columbia Ministry of Employment and Investment**

*Note: The responses listed below are numbered to correspond to the numbers shown  
in the right-hand margin of the preceding comment letter.*

1. Impacts to the Northern Intertie are addressed in a Stipulated Withdrawal of Bonneville Power Administration which reads in part:

*“SE2 and BPA set forth the following recitals:*

*Based on preliminary BPA transmission studies, SE2 acknowledges that currently there may not be sufficient available transfer capability (“ATC”) to accommodate SE2’s long-term firm transmission request for sales of SE2 generation into the U.S. without some non-major system upgrades. If SE2 decides to purchase such firm transmission rights over the Northern Intertie, SE2 acknowledges that it will have to pay for any upgrades or additional transmission and related facilities and services necessary, in accordance with BPA’s transmission policies, to accommodate the requested firm transmission.*

*Regardless of the firm transmission reserved for the return of the Canadian Entitlement, SE2 acknowledges that the current ATC coupled with any firm transmission requested by SE2 may, without sufficient upgrades to the system and given the current environment of regulatory change, be insufficient for the Canadian Entitlement obligation.”*

The complete text of this stipulation as well as a Stipulation and Settlement Agreement between Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission and Sumas Energy 2 regarding transmission impacts, upgrades, and enhancements appear in Volume 1, Appendix G.