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INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Customer Support Services

DATE: August 12, 2009

TO: Fred Murry, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Kathy E. Viehe, AGM, Customer Support Services

SUBJECT: Appropriateness of Deerhaven Generating Station Site for Homeless Shelter

Staff recommends that the Deerhaven Generating Station and other critical GRU facilities not be considered for a Homeless Shelter because of the secure nature of these facilities, including security regulations imposed by the federal government and because of the industrial nature of these sites that require specialized safety training, precautions and expertise to protect employees and the general public.

GRU facilities have been deemed Key Resources and Critical Assets by the United States Department of Homeland Security and are required to take any and all reasonable actions to protect the community's power system, natural gas transmission, drinking water and wastewater facilities from physical or cyber attacks. GRU has adopted the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) Standard CIP-006 for Physical Security, under which GRU maintains secure sites and limits access to its facilities to utility employees, authorized contractors, vendors and guests. All other persons are unauthorized to enter the physical or cyber confines of the plant properties.

CC: Bob Hunzinger, General Manager, Utilities
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