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Dr. Jerry Pell
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Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability
U.S. Department of Energy
Washington, DC 2058

Re: Participation in review of Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Process for Energia Sierra Juarez U.S. Transmission, LLC to construct transmission line and towers.

Dear Mr. Pell:

The United States International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) would like to be included in all steps within the process of reviewing environmental impacts, application for a presidential permit, and review of the EIS.

We look forward to working with you on issues related to the international boundary, specifically international treaties and agreements, border environmental concerns, USIBWC jurisdiction, and USIBWC real property. Please forward all review material to the USIBWC Environmental Management Division.

Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact me at (915) 832-4749 or Mr. Carlos Peña at (915) 832-4740.

Sincerely,

John Merino

Principal Engineer
Engineering and Planning Department