



May 30, 1997

SUBJECT: Western Line Builders

To Whom It May Concern:

Idaho Power has been doing business with Western Line Builders for the last twelve years. They have performed work on our transmission, distribution and underground systems at voltages of 12.5KV through 138KV and worked with all associated equipment and apparatus pertaining to these voltages. Western Line Builders has been available for emergency outages and have always worked in a safe and efficient manner. Customer contact has been excellent and they have represented Idaho Power well with the public. Extra crews have been brought in to keep up with the work load when warranted.

Idaho Power has gone to a bid process this year and Western Line Builders received the bid for OH Construction for our East Region representing approximately 5400 miles of OH Lines. All requirements have been met regarding the maintenance of Workers Compensation, Articles of General Conditions, Certificate of Insurance and Non-Discrimination Agreement.

We have been very pleased with the quality of workmanship Western Line Builders has provided and enjoy a professional working relationship with them. If you have any questions regarding this contractor I would be happy to discuss them with you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "B. A. McCool".

Benjamin A. McCool
Idaho Power Company
East Region
Lines Leader