

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

June 10, 2009

The Honorable Jon Wellinghoff
Chairman
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 1st St, NE
Washington, DC 20426

Dear Chairman Wellinghoff:

I am writing to clarify questions contained in my June 9, 2009 letter to the Commission concerning Congress' repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 (PUHCA) and the effects of that repeal on investments in transmission specifically and activities of investor-owned utilities more generally. In responding to questions seven and eight in the June 9, 2009 letter, my intent was for the Commission to analyze the activities of all investor-owned utilities with respect to their investments in transmission lines since PUHCA was repealed, and their investments in enterprises outside their core business. I did not intend for the Commission to focus on just one company but rather on the industry as a whole.

I hope that this letter clarifies the matter. In light of this change, I understand that the Commission will need additional time to respond and I have directed my staff to consult with your staff on setting a mutually agreeable timeframe for a response.

Sincerely,



Edward J. Markey
Chair
Subcommittee on Energy & Environment

cc: Mr. Fred Upton, Ranking Member