

QUALIFICATIONS OF EARL GJELDE

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. Earl Gjelde. My business address is 790 Rose Acres Court, Loveland, CO 80537.

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4 **Q. Please state your occupation.**

5 A. I am a consultant in the energy industry specializing in the development of power plants for
6 others.

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8 **Q. Please summarize your educational background and experience.**

9 A. I graduated from Oregon State University with a Bachelor's Degree of Science in
10 Engineering. Subsequent to graduation I was employed by the Bonneville Power Administration,
11 rising to the Deputy Administrator and Chief Operating Officer and acting Administrator. From
12 1982 to 1985 I served as Counselor to the Secretary for Policy and Chief Operating Officer for the
13 U.S. Department of Energy. From 1985 to 1989, I was the Under (now called Deputy) Secretary and
14 Chief Operating Officer of the U.S. Department of the Interior. I also served as the Chief of Staff to
15 the National Critical Materials Counsel, Deputy Chief of Mission for the US-Japan Science and
16 Technology agreement negotiations and special envoy to China for President Reagan.

17 For the past two years I have served as one of nine Commissioners appointed by the Bush
18 Administration with Congressional approval to evaluate a special and potentially catastrophic threat
19 to the US. I am currently on the Board of Directors of the U.S. Energy Association, AMEN
20 Properties (a publicly traded office complex, oil and gas royalty company and power aggregator),
21 and the National Wilderness Institute. In the past I served as a director on the boards of CIGRE' (an
22 international high-voltage transmission organization), the World Energy Congress, and the Electric
23 Power Research Institute (EPRI).

24 Along with Donald Hodel, in 1989 I founded the Summit Group International, Ltd., the first of
25 several "Summit" companies focused primarily on electrical generating project development. This
26 includes Summit Power NW, LLC, and the affiliate formed for the Lake Side facility in Utah county,
27 Summit Vineyard, LLC. I am a Managing Director for each of the Summit companies.

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29 I am Managing Director of Summit Power NW, LLC, located at 10477 Maplewood Place SW,
30 Seattle, WA 98146, with offices also located in Colorado and Wisconsin.