BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL STATE OF WYOMING

In the Matter of:)	
Basin Electric Power Cooperative) Do	ocket No. 10-2802
Air Quality Permit No. MD-6047)	
BART Permit: Laramie River Station)	
RESPONSE TO BASIN ELECTRIC'S MO	TION FOR SUI	MMARY JUDGMENT

DEQ/AQD Transmittal Letter, dated 5/27/09

EXHIBIT 12



Department of Environmental Quality

To protect, conserve and enhance the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations.

John Corra, Director

May 27, 2009

Mr. Robert L. Eriksen
Environmental Compliance Administrator
Basin Electric Power Cooperative
1717 East Interstate Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58503-0564

CERTIFIED – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED Notice of Publication Permit Application AP-6047

Dear Mr. Eriksen:

The Division of Air Quality has completed its initial evaluation of your permit application to address Best Available Retro-fit Technology (BART) for three units, under the Regional Haze Rule.

A copy of the public notice and of our evaluation is enclosed for your information. I would recommend that you review the proposed permit conditions associated with the Division's proposed approval. The Public Notice will appear in the June 3, 2009 issue of the Platte County Record Times, Wheatland, Wyoming.

A copy of our evaluation and of your permit application will be kept on file for a sixty (60) day public inspection and comment period. At the end of this period, we will consider all comments made concerning your application and a final decision will be made on your application.

Per Chapter 6, Section 2(o) of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards & Regulations an initial billing is attached for the costs incurred by the Department in reviewing the application. Payment of the initial fee is required prior to permit issuance. An additional fee and any adjustments required to the initial fee shall be made upon permit issuance to cover any additional costs associated with final permit issuance, including costs of public notice, holding public hearings, reviewing public comments and final issuance of permit.

If you should have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Andrew Keyfauver NSR Permit Engineer Air Quality Division

cc: Glenn Spangler

Bob Gill

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