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Dear Mr. Kornze:

In parallel with our efforts under section 358 of Public Law 111-383, the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2011, the DoD Siting Clearinghouse has reviewed the 49 projects listed on the attached spreadsheets, "NDAA Sec 358 Backlog Adjudication 2011 07 14 – Yellow for BLM" and "NDAA Sec 358 Backlog Adjudication 2011 07 14 – Green for BLM." (See Column E for the BLM ID numbers associated with these projects.) Based on the recommendations of the DoD Components, the DoD withdraws all objections to the right-of-way applications for the 45 "green" projects. The DoD finds that four projects may have adverse impact on DoD operations or capabilities, and requests continued discussions on possible mitigations with project proponents and BLM field offices. Of course, the Department reserves the right to reexamine any project whose application is terminated and refiled, or for which the proponent makes any material change—especially for applications in which the proponent wishes to replace meteorological towers or similar testing devices with actual wind turbines.

Please note that one project—the SunZia transmission line—has been the subject of more than a year's worth of study and negotiation; we consider it "green" subject to the provisions of the Clearinghouse Board of Directors letter to Mr. Abbey dated 11 May 2011. If new alternative routes are considered, we request immediate consultation.

Feel free call me at (703) 697-7301 with any questions—I look forward to further partnership between our organizations.

H. David Belote
Director, DoD Siting Clearinghouse

Attachments: As stated