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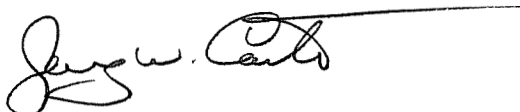
RE: 2006-00494

Ms. O'Donnell

Enclosed is Farmers RECC's response to PSC Case 2006-00494 request for a vegetation management plan.

I look forward to working with the Commission regarding vegetation management and service reliability.

Sincerely,



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## Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Right-of-Way Plan

Farmers RECC in recognizing the importance of reliable electric service will perform initial right-of-way clearing and routine line clearing in a responsible manner to minimize power outages as follows:

1. Right-of-way may be cleared by mechanical, chemical, hand-clearing or any combination of methods necessary to provide adequate clearance.
2. New primary voltage right-of-way will be cleared to a width of 40ft.
3. Existing primary voltage right-of-way may be cleared by using clear cutting, lateral trimming, directional trimming, “rounding over” of trees or any combination necessary to provide adequate clearance.
4. Existing primary voltage right-of-way will be cleared back to the original distance in conjunction with permission from the property owner.

### Exclusions to Bullet No.4

- When property owner refuses to allow cooperative personnel or contractors to perform tree maintenance in the above stated methods. Special arrangements may be agreed to by FRECC personnel or the contractor General Foreman and the property owner as deemed necessary.
5. Right-of-way maintenance will be on a six year normal cycle time frame with faster growth tree species (“cycle busters”) maintained on a two year maintenance cycle.
  6. Service reliability data (SAIDI, SAFAI) will be reviewed annually to determine if a circuit is achieving a higher than expected outage rate caused by vegetation in the right of way.
  7. A follow-up inspection of each circuit completed by the right of way contractor will be performed in a reasonable time frame.