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## Via e-Filing

April 21, 2015

Honorable Kimberly D. Bose Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

RE: Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company, Docket No. HC15-7-000

FERC-61, Narrative Description of the Service Company Functions

Dear Ms. Bose:

Pursuant to Section 366.23(a)(2) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission") regulations, Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company ("BHE"), on behalf of itself; its parent, Berkshire Hathaway Inc.; and its service company subsidiaries, hereby electronically files FERC-61, Narrative Description of the Service Company Functions, for each such entity providing service company type functions to the public utility company subsidiaries of BHE during calendar year 2014.

## I. Contents of Filing

The contents of this filing are as follows:

- This transmittal letter; and
- FERC-61 for each of Bridger Coal Company, Energy West Mining Company, Interwest Mining Company, Trapper Mining, Inc., MEHC Insurance Services Ltd., CalEnergy Generation Operating Company, MidAmerican Energy Machining Services LLC, NVE Insurance Company, Inc. and Metalogic Inspection Services Inc. for calendar year 2014.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 18 C.F.R. § 366.23(a)(2)

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## II. Communication

BHE respectfully requests that all communications regarding this filing be directed to the following individual:

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Sincerely,

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#### **UNITED STATES**

#### FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20426

#### FERC-61

## NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE COMPANY FUNCTIONS

## FOR THE PERIOD

Beginning January 1, 2014 and Ending December 31, 2014

Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company ("BHE"), on behalf of itself; its parent, Berkshire Hathaway Inc.; and its service company subsidiaries, hereby submits this FERC-61, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 366.23(a)(2), for the year ended December 31, 2014.

## Bridger Coal Company

Bridger Coal Company is a coal mining joint venture 66.67% owned by Pacific Minerals, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of PacifiCorp, an indirect public utility subsidiary of BHE, and 33.33% owned by Idaho Energy Resources Co., a subsidiary of Idaho Power Company, an unaffiliated entity. Bridger Coal Company was formed to supply coal to the Jim Bridger generating facility, which is 66.67% owned by PacifiCorp and 33.33% owned by Idaho Power Company.

## **Energy West Mining Company**

Energy West Mining Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of PacifiCorp that performed coal mining services in support of the Huntington, Hunter<sup>1</sup> and Carbon generating facilities owned by PacifiCorp until it ceased operations January 7, 2015.

## **Interwest Mining Company**

Interwest Mining Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of PacifiCorp that provides technical, management and administrative services to PacifiCorp, Energy West Mining Company and Bridger Coal Company.

## Trapper Mining Inc.

Trapper Mining Inc. is a cooperative in which PacifiCorp holds a 21.40% interest, the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, an unaffiliated entity, holds a 32.10% interest, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc., an unaffiliated entity, holds a

 $<sup>^1\,</sup>$  PacifiCorp holds undivided interests of 93.75%, 60.31% and 100% of Hunter Units 1, 2 and 3, respectively.

26.57% interest and the Platte River Power Authority, an unaffiliated entity, holds a 19.93% interest. Trapper Mining Inc. was formed to supply coal to the Craig generating facility, which is 19.28% owned by PacifiCorp.

## MEHC Insurance Services Ltd.

MEHC Insurance Services Ltd. is a wholly owned subsidiary of BHE that was formed to provide captive insurance services to PacifiCorp, including covering all or significant portions of the property damage and liability insurance deductibles in many of PacifiCorp's insurance policies, as well as overhead transmission and distribution line property damage. The policy coverage period expired on March 20, 2011 and was not renewed; however, MEHC Insurance Services Ltd. will continue to cover claims by PacifiCorp arising during the prior policy periods.

## CalEnergy Generation Operating Company

CalEnergy Generation Operating Company is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of BHE that was formed to provide limited administrative support to an exempt wholesale generator within the BHE holding company system.

## MidAmerican Energy Machining Services LLC

MidAmerican Energy Machining Services LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of BHE. MidAmerican Energy Machining Services LLC was formed to provide mechanical repairs, metal working, welding and machining services to third parties, including MidAmerican Energy Company ("MEC"), an indirect public utility subsidiary of BHE.

## NVE Insurance Company, Inc.

NVE Insurance Company, Inc. is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of NV Energy, Inc. ("NV Energy"), which is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of BHE. NVE Insurance Company, Inc. was formed to provide captive insurance services to Nevada Power Company and Sierra Pacific Power Company, each a wholly-owned public utility subsidiary of NV Energy, including covering portions of the workers' compensation, automobile and general liability insurance deductibles in NV Energy's insurance policies, as well as medical stop loss.

## Metalogic Inspection Services Inc.

Metalogic Inspection Services Inc. is an Alberta, Canada, corporation in which BHE indirectly owns a 57% interest, each of the two principals owns directly or beneficially 20% and an unaffiliated investor owns 3%. Metalogic Inspection Services Inc., which became an affiliate of BHE in 2013, provides ultrasonic inspection and testing services with phased array on pipes, boiler tubes and pressure vessels to third parties, including MEC.

# Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Paul J. Leighton Vice President and Assistant General Counsel Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company

April 21, 2015