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Sincerely,
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 From:
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 Cc:
 Mike Franklin

Subject: Benton Solar Project – Docket Numbers 23-423; 24-283; 23-425 Comments

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Please find three files attached to be added to the record for the Benton Solar project.

PUC Docket Number: IP7115/GS-23-423 (Solar Facility); IP7115/ESS-24-283 (Storage Facility); IP7115/TL-23-425

(Transmission Line)

OAH Docket Number: 25-2500-40508

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Best, Natalia

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