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**Subject:** RE: Comment Submission on the SunZia DEIS Re: Bowie Power Plant

## Norm

Thank you for your submittal

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From: Norm Meader [mailto:nmeader@cox.net]
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## Dear Adrian:

Attached is a response to the SunZia DEIS that focuses specifically on the relationship between SunZia and the SouthWestern Power Group's Bowie, Arizona, power plant. This relationship is a central issue in the BLM's characterization of the purpose and need for SunZia. Although this relationship has been brought to the BLM's attention several times before, the BLM did not acknowledge it in the DEIS.

While the Obama Administration has viewed this project as a way to facilitate development of renewable energy and while the BLM has adopted this as its specific purpose and need for the project, the BLM is also obligated to state what the project proponent's purpose and need are. The project proponent's intentions must be incorporated into the SunZia Environmental Impact Statement to avoid litigation. The attached carefully documents these intentions and demonstrates why this is a major issue.

Because of the importance of this, I am copying this to other individuals within the BLM, most importantly to Information Resources Management because they have dealt extensively with it. They seem primarily responsible for the BLM's not having included this information in the SunZia DEIS. They need to reexamine this issue more closely, and what I provide should allow them to do this.

Thank you for considering this.

Sincerely, Norm "Mick" Meader Co-Chair, Cascabel Working Group (520) 323-0092 nmeader@cox.net

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