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### MEMORANDUM

**TO: Council members**

**FROM: Brian Dekiep**

**SUBJECT: Presentations from Western Montana Customer Owned Utilities**

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Presenter: Joe Lucas

Summary: The General Manager of the Western Montana Generation and Transmission Cooperative, Joe Lucas will give an overview of the activities and interests of the Generation and Transmission Cooperative. General Managers and possibly Directors of the member utilities are planning to join Mr. Lucas in his discussion.

Relevance: Understanding utility issues provides the Council with information that can be used to inform the development of the Plan's Action Items

Workplan: 1.B. Develop Seventh Power Plan

Background: The Generation and Transmission Cooperative (G&T) is made up of six members; five rural cooperatives and one tribal utility in Montana. The G&T provides power planning, contract negotiation, policy analysis and representation for its members.

Members of the G&T include: Flathead Electric Cooperative, Glacier Electric Cooperative, Mission Valley Power, Missoula Electric Cooperative, Ravalli Electric Cooperative and Vigilante Electric Cooperative. Lincoln Electric Cooperative is an associate member.