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Dave,

On behalf of Grant County Sheriff's Office Emergency Management, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation for the outstanding support and coordination provided by the Grant County PUD during the Railroad Fire response.

Your Emergency Management staff demonstrated exceptional professionalism, responsiveness, and commitment throughout the incident. From the moment assistance was needed, your team responded quickly, maintained excellent communication, and consistently shared timely and valuable information that helped support coordinated decision-making. Your willingness to step in, collaborate, and provide assistance made a meaningful difference throughout the response.

Successful incident management depends on strong partnerships, and your team's dedication exemplified the cooperative spirit that is essential during emergency operations. Your expertise, flexibility, and commitment to serving our community did not go unnoticed and were greatly appreciated by everyone involved.

Please extend our gratitude to your entire Emergency Management team for their hard work and continued partnership. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated partner in Grant County PUD and look forward to continuing our strong working relationship in the future.

Thank you again for your outstanding support and service to the residents of Grant County.

Respectfully,

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