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POWER BUSINESS LINE

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In reply refer to: PL-6

Dear Interested Parties:

Action: The first public workshop sponsored by the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) regarding potential changes to BPA's power sales role after 2006 will be held on Tuesday, November 19th in the Rates Hearing Room in Portland, OR. BPA is holding a series of workshops in order to continue its discussions with customers and other stakeholders in order to develop a draft proposal planned for release at the end of January, 2003. The remaining meetings are planned for the following dates:

November 26	December 11
December 4	December 18

If needed, workshops will continue on Wednesdays, starting January 4th. Please check BPA's Regional Dialogue website regularly at www.bpa.gov/power/regionaldialogue for up-to-date information, including agendas and notices of any cancellations, should that be necessary.

Background: On June 19, 2002 BPA and the Northwest Power Planning Council (Council) sent a letter to the region that invited proposals and comments regarding BPA's future power supply role. That comment period closed on October 18, 2002. The Council is now preparing its recommendations to BPA on these issues, as well as its 5th Power Plan. And, BPA is now continuing its discussions with customers, stakeholders and other interested parties at a series of workshops.

For Further Information: For further information, please refer to the public involvement/communication plan for a variety of communication opportunities. You may also contact the PBL's Communication Office at 503-230-7685. If you wish to provide written comments at any time during this process, please send your comments to the Bonneville Power Administration by e-mail at regionaldialogue@bpa.gov, or by mail at P.O. Box 12999, Portland, OR, 97212.

Sincerely,

/s/ Fred Rettenmund
Senior Account Executive

Attachment

Public Involvement/ Communication Plan
Regional Dialogue Regarding BPA's Power Supply Role after 2006
November 15, 2002

Public Involvement Opportunities

The Regional Dialogue regarding BPA's power supply role after 2006 is an open process. The following list identifies the public involvement opportunities available to the public.

1. **Meetings** - All meetings (workshops, public meetings, etc.) are open to the public. Workshops are currently scheduled to begin on Tuesday, November 19th, and to continue on November 26th, December 4th, December 11th, and December 18th. Once these workshops are finished, progress will be assessed and decisions made regarding the possibility of additional meetings in January 2003. Advance notice of these meetings will be provided at that time. Please continue to check the Regional Dialogue website at www.bpa.gov/power/regionaldialogue as changes in the schedule are possible. If you should miss a meeting and want to verify the time and place of the next meeting, call BPA at 503-230-7685 or check the BPA website. Notes from these meetings will also be posted to the Regional Dialogue website. If you wish to participate in these meetings by phone, please call 503-230-4600.
2. **Products and Decisions** - All major products produced and major decisions made by the Workgroup will be available to the public for their review and comment via the web.
3. If you would like to meet with BPA staff, please call Fred Rettenmund, Senior Account Executive and Project Manager, at 503-230-4693 during regular business hours.

Communication Plan

The workshops will offer opportunities to customers, stakeholders, and other interested parties to communicate regularly with BPA and with each other about important issues. The following regular publications or communication vehicles will be used during the next few months as BPA develops its proposal and then publishes it for regional review and comment.

1. **Meeting Notices** - Information will be provided via a variety of communication tools:
 - o The BPA Journal available on-line at www.bpa.gov/corporate/kc/home/journal/
 - o The PBL's Regional Dialogue website at www.bpa.gov/power/regionaldialogue
 - o Telephone number for additional information 503-230-7685
2. **Meeting Notes** - Notes will be taken during all public workshops and meetings and summaries will be made available soon after each meeting. Notes will be posted on the website at www.bpa.gov/power/regionaldialogue.
3. **Monthly Updates** - Regular updates will be provided and posted to the website or provided in the BPA Journal at the website noted above.