



## Department of Energy

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POWER BUSINESS LINE

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In reply refer to: P-6

Dear Customers and Other Interested Parties:

On March 7, 2003, Chief Financial Officer Jim Curtis and I hosted a workshop regarding a customer proposal for solving BPA's financial situation. At this workshop we had a frank and constructive discussion of the perspectives of customers and others, as well as BPA's perspectives, regarding the customer proposal. I thank all of you who were able to attend this second meeting.

At the conclusion of this workshop customers requested some additional analysis from BPA staff. The group decided to get together for a 3<sup>rd</sup> workshop on Friday, March 14, 2003, to review this analysis as well as continue the discussion with customers and stakeholders regarding the possible solutions to BPA's financial situation.

Please join us at this workshop to discuss these analytical and policy issues surrounding possible solutions to BPA's financial situation that could affect the ultimate size of any rate increase. Administrator Steve Wright will again be there to hear firsthand your perspectives and ideas.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday, March 14, 2003, in the Rates Hearing Room, which is located at 911 NE 11th Ave, in Portland, OR, from 9 a.m. until noon. Please call Cain Bloomer at (503) 230-7443 or Cynthia Jones at (503) 230-5459 in advance in order to participate by phone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul E. Norman".

Paul E. Norman  
Senior Vice President  
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