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Drummond sworn in as BPA administrator

Portland, Ore. – William K. Drummond was sworn in today as administrator of the Bonneville Power Administration, the Northwest's largest supplier of electric power and high voltage transmission services. The ceremony was held at BPA's Portland headquarters in front of hundreds of employees, customers and invited guests.

Daniel B. Poneman, deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Energy, administered the oath of office, making Drummond the 14th administrator in BPA's 75-year history of serving the Northwest and the nation. Accompanying Drummond on stage was his wife, Elizabeth, who held the family Bible upon which Drummond placed his left hand during his oath of office.

"The Bonneville Power Administration is truly fortunate to have Bill Drummond as its new administrator to lead the agency," Poneman said. "Drummond has a stellar track record during his time at BPA and throughout his career in the energy sector, and I am fully confident in his ability to provide the highest level of leadership and service to BPA's customers, constituents and employees."

Drummond came to BPA in October 2011 as deputy administrator providing strategic leadership and executive management to the agency. Before joining BPA, Drummond had managed Western Montana Electric Generating and Transmission Cooperative in Missoula, Mont., for 17 years. From 1988 to 1994, Drummond led the Public Power Council, an association of all Northwest publicly-owned utilities.

"Bonneville represents the best expression of public vision and achievement, collaborative relationships, environmental stewardship and a commitment to operational excellence," Drummond said. "I am grateful for this opportunity and look forward to my new role at BPA."

BPA is a nonprofit federal agency that markets renewable hydropower from federal Columbia River dams, operates three-quarters of high-voltage transmission lines in the Northwest and funds one of the largest wildlife protection and restoration programs in the world. BPA and its partners have also saved enough electricity through energy

efficiency projects to power four large American cities. For more information, contact us at 503-230-5131 or visit our website at www.bpa.gov.

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