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BPA Regional Science Bowl registration opens

Portland, Ore. – Registration is now open for the nation’s largest regional science bowl competition for middle and high school students. Registration is open Oct. 1 to Nov. 15 for the 2014 Bonneville Power Administration Regional Science Bowl. The events take place on consecutive weekends this winter: The middle school competition is set for Jan. 25 and the high school competition kicks off Feb. 1. The event is free and open to teams from public, private and home-based schools in western Washington and western and central Oregon.

The BPA Regional Science Bowl is a fast-paced, quiz-show-style competition that invites middle and high school students to demonstrate their knowledge of science and math in a round-robin, double-elimination tournament, with winners eligible to travel to the national finals in Washington, D.C. The BPA events are the largest in the nation, and include enrichment activities for all participants, including an engineering competition and student video contest.

For details and registration instructions, go to www.bpa.gov/goto/ScienceBowl.

Registration takes only a few minutes with the new online form. To register, teachers need to list contact information, school name and the number of five-student teams they’d like to register. Teams are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with each entrant’s first team taking priority, followed by second teams and third teams, up to each competition’s 64-team limit.

The Bonneville Power Administration provides free programs, presentations and information to K-12 schools in the Pacific Northwest to help students achieve energy literacy, and to support science, technology, engineering and math education. For more information on BPA’s education efforts, go to www.bpa.gov/goto/Education.

BPA is a nonprofit federal agency that markets renewable hydropower from federal Columbia Basin 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 www.bpa.gov.

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