



# Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County

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## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

For the November 23-24, 2015 Meetings

### AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Professional Services Consultant, approval – Staff is requesting the Board's approval to add ADCOMM Engineering Company to Klickitat PUD's Professional Services Consultant roster for the 2015 and 2015 period.
- B. 2016 Operating Budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> Review / Set Public Hearing Date -- We will be presenting the second draft of the 2016 operating budget on Tuesday for your input, in order to be prepared for the final budget presentation for adoption at the December 8, 2015 meeting
- C. Electric Rate Hearings – Per the Board's request at the last commission meeting, electric rate hearings have been scheduled and advertised for 6:00pm on November 23<sup>rd</sup> in White Salmon and 6:00pm on November 24<sup>th</sup> in Goldendale at which time public comments will be heard.

### NON-AGENDA ITEMS

1. Generation Assets Update (Kevin) – In regard to the H.W. Hill LFG project, there was a scheduled outage for media replacement on the Domnick-Hunter and carbon vessels that began on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> and ended at noon on Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. LFG staff will be collecting gas samples to measure effectiveness of the media change as well as for RN planning purposes.  
Included in the packets are Bob Guidinger's weekly reports on the McNary runner replacement project. Also enclosed is a picture of the unit rotor being removed from the power house on November 13<sup>th</sup> to be stored in the equipment hatch at the powerhouse. Unfortunately, on November 18<sup>th</sup> the boom crane at the project failed but luckily no one was injured. This incident will shut down the runner replacement project for at least a week or two while investigating other options. Bob's full report on the incident is enclosed.
2. *Goldendale Sentinel* and *White Salmon Enterprise* articles on proposed electric rate increases and public hearings are enclosed.
3. Operations Manager Vacancy – We will be posting an Electric and Water/Wastewater Operations Manager position.
4. Leadership Training – I will be attending my training at the Center for Creative Leadership the week of November 16<sup>th</sup>. Ron Ihrig will be acting in my place for the week.

5. Satus Pass Fire BIA Claim – Paine Hamblin filed an Appeal to BIA’s demand letter and filed a Declaratory Judgment, Administrative Procedure in Federal District Court, in the Eastern District, saying the Secretary of the Interior and BIA have no authority over KPUD pursuant to the National Indian Forest Resources Management Act (NIFRMA) for trespass or treble damages.