



Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD For the **August 27, 2024** Meeting

AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Prequalification of Contractors - Cynthia Bruce is requesting approval of the attached contractors listing. They have all submitted the required documentation to be added to the rosters.
- B. Prequalification of Professional services - April Castillo is requesting approval of the attached consultants listing. They have all submitted the required documentation to be added to the roster.
- C. Resolution 1858 Authorizing Issuance and/or Rescinding of Business Credit Cards - Cynthia Bruce will present Resolution 1858, with the resignation of Doug Tuning we are requesting adoption of Resolution 1858 to rescind his credit card authorization.
- D. Executive Session per Lease or purchase of real estate if there's a likelihood that disclosure would increase the price. RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)

NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. PPC Executive Committee members, Alternates and PPC General Managers - Following the engagements and discussions on day ahead markets at PPC's monthly meetings last week, the PPC Executive Committee determined that a letter from PPC's Officers to BPA leadership would be helpful to affirm PPC's position that the agency should continue to pursue the SPP Markets+ day-ahead option and invest in the next phase of development for Markets+ to ensure it remains a viable option for BPA and other stakeholders in the West.
- 2. BPA Market Status - in the past several weeks there has been mounting pressure on BPA to not only not make any decisions about favoring one market alternative over another, but actually slowing engagement with SPP plus in favor of CAISO's expanded day ahead market. This is completely opposite of the position of almost all of BPA's public power

customers. In addition, Washington and Oregon Senators sent a letter to BPA asking them to justify the positions and actions BPA is taking. As a result, there has been almost constant trade association work the past two weeks. PPC has organized additional meetings with BPA this week. PPC has also worked with other trade organizations to respond to the letter from the congressional delegation. I have participated extensively to ensure our positions and support for BPA making decisions for their public power customers is clear. Attached are:

- a. PPC letter to John Harriston on markets affirming public power support to move to the second stage of market development with SPP plus, including support for the funding. (Attachment to item 1 above)
 - b. Washington and Oregon Senators letter to BPA. (Attached)
 - c. WPUDA and PPC responses to the Congressional delegation. (Attached)
3. AI Dash update - Mark will bring back a demonstration of the tools we are using to monitor, track and plan our vegetation management program in November. They are in the process of updating the programs to provide additional analysis, so it should provide more in depth information when complete and relevant to our 2025 budget discussions.
4. Bond Ratings Calls - we participated with Fitch and Moodies on calls for our 2024 / 2025 bond ratings this week. I thought they went very well. I am not expecting any changes from the ratings last fall.