



Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD For the **November 12, 2024** Meeting

AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. LoCI Controls Project Review - Nicole Neff and Peter Quigley from LoCI Controls will join Kevin Ricks and Doug Strathdee to provide a system demo and talk about the performance so far.
- B. Rhine Village Multi-Family Net Meter Aggregation Update - the board has previously approved the net metering project and Anita Clever will provide an update on the build-out and request an adjustment to the project.
- C. Prequalification of Contractors - Cynthia Bruce is requesting approval of the contractors presented to be added to their perspective rosters.
- D. Prequalification of Professional Services - April Castillo is requesting approval of the consultants presented to be added to the Professional Services roster.
- E. 2025 Klickitat PUD Operating Budget 2nd Draft Review - Mike DeMott, Cynthia Bruce and Brandy Myers will provide an update to any adjustments made since our October 22nd meeting and provide the draft financials with the current budget proposal.
- F. 2025 Klickitat PUD Rate Projections 2nd Review - Mike DeMott, Brandy Myers, and Cynthia Bruce will provide an update to adjustments made to the rate structure discussion which began on October 22nd. We would also like to discuss the timing of the rate adjustments.
- G. Setting Hearing Date: 2025 Klickitat PUD Operating Budget Hearing - Jim Smith will be requesting that we set the Budget Rate Hearing date for Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.
- H. Setting Hearing Date: 2025 Klickitat PUD Rate Hearing - Jim Smith will be requesting that we set the Electric Retail Rate Hearing for Tuesday, December 10, 2024, also at 3:00 p.m. Given the close connection between the hearings, staff believes that holding them simultaneously will be the most effective way to review and discuss all pertinent information. There will be two separate actions for you to consider after the hearings: one to approve the budget and one to approve rate adjustments.

- I. Policy 26 KPUD Logo Wear Program - Policy 26 has been a successful program since its approval in 2000. We are requesting that the board approve revisions to the policy that clarify the program's objectives and remove the administrative details. These details would then be detailed in a procedure.
- J. Executive Session: Review Performance of a Public Employee per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Emergency Procurement - Kool Temp was contacted on October 17, 2024 to address a failure of the Rhode Chiller. This equipment is necessary for operation of the RNG facility, so to minimize downtime, Kool Temp was contacted immediately and brought on site for the repairs. Then on November 7th Kool Temp was contacted again to make emergency repairs. This time it was to the control room HVAC system which was inoperable and threatened health and safety of employees requiring immediate repairs. We are in the process of setting up a maintenance contract so we can call on a vendor in these situations in the future without going through an emergency process like this and meet new state bid law requirements.
2. Satus Proposal - I will run through a verbal proposal the GM at Yakama Power and I reached to transfer part of the Satus feeder on the reservation to them. It is along the lines as we have previously discussed.
3. BPA - I want to highlight that BPA's post 2028 contract schedule will require our above high-water mark product decision in the April to June time frame next year. Their intent is to have signed contracts by the end of 2025. They have said there is lots of work being done on the rate details and the draft contracts.

John Harriston also said they do not intend on engaging on resource acquisition to meet either the Tier 1 shortfall or their obligations to serve above high watermark loads. We will not stop engaging on this topic. It makes no sense.