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MEMORANDUM

TO: Power Committee

FROM: Terry Morlan

SUBJECT: What to Expect During 2008

Staff has been requested to think ahead about meeting agenda topics during the remainder of 2008. We typically plan agenda items out only a couple of meetings, but there seems to be value in planning farther ahead. Therefore, staff is working on tentatively scheduling agenda topics for the rest of the year.

The Power Division has detailed work plans for the Sixth Power Plan development, and those work plans provide some guidance about topics that may be ripe for Power Committee or Council discussion at particular meetings. However, the work plan should not be expected to imply hard dates for various topics, as work plans are generally fluid and dynamic in their details.

In addition, many agenda items develop as a result of requests from Power Committee members or outside parties. These requests are generally unpredictable but are important to accommodate whenever possible.

We will discuss a proposed schedule of topics at the Power Committee meeting. A draft of that schedule is attached. More detail can be added as we progress on development of the Sixth Power Plan.

Agenda Planning for Power Division - 2008

Month	Potential Topics
Jan (Vancouver)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wholesale price forecast: comments and proposed changes • Efficiency summit proposal • CRAC charter • Public comment on Issues for the Sixth Power Plan
Feb (Portland)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues for 6th Plan: comments proposed changes • Briefing on carbon sequestration - Trexler • Revised wholesale price forecast • 2008 hydro conditions forecast • Briefing on Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 • Adequacy standards - release for comment • Updates: Adequacy, Demand response, efficiency summit
Mar (Boise)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequacy standards - comments and proposed response • Decision to release final wholesale price forecast paper • Purpose of and assumptions for the preliminary resource analysis • Presentation on Raft River geothermal project
Apr (Whitefish)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary resource analysis • Adoption of adequacy standards • GRAC Charter • Financial assumptions for 6th plan • Marginal CO₂ analysis • Demand and conservation interface
May (Walla Walla)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sequestration project report (PNL Peter McGrail) • Structure and role of RTF • Report on 2006-07 conservation achievements • Energy Efficiency Task Force report • Review fuel price forecasts • Decision making under uncertainty - intro. • Direct use of natural gas policy discussion • Demand response briefing • Energy implication of data centers • Review of fuel price forecasts
June (Spokane)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource Adequacy Assessment -p • Chelan PUD Chicago Climate Exchange membership -c • PNUCC presentation on NRF and utility resource plans -c • Presentation on BPA transmission activities -c • Analysis of higher fuel price assumptions on marginal CO₂ rates • Scot Corwin - PPC - c

<p>July (Montana)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renew NGAC charter • Montana experience with wind integration (Hines?) • Analysis of effects of plug-in vehicles on electricity demand • Status report on WCI activities • Utility panel on WCI perspectives
<p>August (Spokane)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of regional loads, fuel prices, and resource development • Introduction to the Regional Portfolio Model • Chelan PUD presentation on membership in Chicago Climate Exchange • Transmission assumptions for generating resource analysis • Cost and Availability of gas-fired generation • Cost and Availability of nuclear generation
<p>September (Astoria)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary outline for Sixth Plan • Wind integration requirements
<p>October (Missoula)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Portfolio model representation of uncertainty • Revised fuel price forecasts and assumptions • Cost and Availability of wind generation • Cost and Availability of solar thermal generation • Cost and Availability of advance coal and IGCC generation • Review of RPS requirements and effects on resource choices • Revised fuel price forecasts and assumptions
<p>November (Coeur d'Alene)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation supply assumptions • Revised forecast of electricity spot market prices • Report on carbon sequestration alternatives and costs • Updated economic assumptions for the draft power plan

December (Portland)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preliminary drafts of introductory chapters of Sixth Plan• Initial demand forecast• Cost and Availability of residual biomass generation• Cost and Availability of geothermal generation• Cost and Availability of photovoltaic generation• Cost and Availability of hydro, wave, and hydrokinetic generation

Plan for updating conservation supply curves and analysis