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MEMORANDUM

TO: Council Members

FROM: Gillian Charles, Energy Policy Analyst

SUBJECT: Panel discussion on renewable resource development in the Pacific Northwest

BACKGROUND:

Presenter(s): Rachel Shimshak, Executive Director, Renewable Northwest
Cameron Yourkowski, Senior Policy Manager, Renewable Northwest
Representative from SunPower
Representative from EDPR Renewables
Representative from Vestas
Michael Cressner, Orion
Mike Grenier, independent consultant

Summary: Renewable Northwest will be leading a panel presentation and discussion on renewable resource development in the Pacific Northwest. Rachel Shimshak, Executive Director of Renewable Northwest, will make some introductory remarks before handing it off to subject-matter experts from the solar, wind, and energy storage industries.

Relevance: Council staff monitors and tracks resource development and industry trends for various datasets and analysis. Hearing from the developers themselves is a unique opportunity to learn first-hand how the market is behaving currently and what future development trends and opportunities may look like.

Workplan: Power Division Work Plan – Prepare for Eighth Plan. Generation Resources.