

TACOMA PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Tacoma, Washington 98411-0007

May 15, 2006

Ms. Kristy Wallis, Initial Director
ColumbiaGrid
716 – 39th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98122

Dear Ms. Wallis:

Tacoma Power desires to join ColumbiaGrid. On behalf of Tacoma Power, I request that the current members of ColumbiaGrid vote to accept Tacoma Power as a member.

Because membership likely will impose a financial obligation on Tacoma Power in excess of \$50,000, our membership will require approval of the Tacoma Public Utility Board. Tacoma Power has started the Board approval process. In recognition of our need for Board approval I ask that you propose amending the ColumbiaGrid Bylaws to accept Tacoma Power's membership, contingent upon our Board's approval.

Tacoma Power also reviewed the ColumbiaGrid Bylaws, and we request two changes. First, please insert into Section 10.1.3 a clause that states data made available to the public will exclude members' data of confidential nature. The Bylaws include a similar clause in section 10.2.4 that you can reference as a model for the requested change. Second, we believe the Bylaws should state that ColumbiaGrid operates under the laws of the State of Washington. As you contemplate our request for membership, I ask you also contemplate these Bylaws amendments.

I anticipate asking the Public Utility Board to act upon our request no later than the Board's May 24, 2006, meeting.

I look forward to your response to Tacoma Power's request for ColumbiaGrid membership.

Sincerely,



Mark Crisson
Director of Utilities

