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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **NWPPA Welcomes Newest Employee, Cathy Wilson**

**Vancouver, Wash.** – Northwest Public Power Association (NWPPA) would like to welcome Cathy Wilson as its new member relations manager. She will be transitioning into her new position all this month under the guidance of the current member relations manager, Dave Bouchard, who will be retiring at the end of April.

“Cathy has a great reputation among utility general managers and has been a long-time supporter of NWPPA,” said Executive Director Will Lutgen. “I believe she will bring her utility knowledge and support of NWPPA programs to new members in terms that they can understand.”

Earlier this year, Wilson retired from her position as general manager at Wasco Electric Cooperative in The Dalles, Ore., ending her 28-year career with the cooperative. She had started with the co-op in 1978 as an office assistant and was promoted to office manager in 1980, where she served until her appointment as general manager in 1999.

“I enjoy working in the public power industry because it’s a good industry – it provides the lowest cost electric power for consumers,” said Wilson. “Now I am starting a new chapter with NWPPA which will allow me to keep in touch with the wonderful



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people that I have worked with over the years and provide the opportunity to meet new members as well.”

**About NWPPA:** NWPPA is an international association representing and serving customer-owned, locally controlled utilities in the Western U.S. and Canada. The Association also serves more than 250 associate members across the U.S. and Canada who are allied with the electric utility industry. Visit the NWPPA Web site at [www.nwppa.org](http://www.nwppa.org) for more information.