

1 **NORTHWEST PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION**

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3 **22-06 Archived Resolution**

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5 **EQUAL TREATMENT OF ALL NORTHWEST INDUSTRIES**
6 **SERVED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BY BPA**
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8 The cost of electricity is a major factor affecting the financial well
9 being of the regional economy and in particular that of regional industry.
10 At the same time the local economy of many communities is directly
11 dependent on local industry.

12 The Northwest Public Power Association acknowledges the
13 importance of local industry to it's member systems and supports efforts
14 at the Federal, State and local level to provide assistance in times of
15 economic hardship. However, such assistance should be balanced
16 regionally and by industrial sector so that no one community or industry
17 benefits at the expense of all others. Because of the importance that
18 electricity pricing plays in determining economic well being and the
19 influence that BPA exerts on regional electricity pricing, the following
20 criteria should be met before BPA considers departing from cost based
21 pricing for selected customers:

- 22 • Actions must be consistent with the Bonneville Project Act,
23 the Regional Power Act and Public Preference;
- 24 • Actions must be supported by economic analysis that the net
25 regional impact to jobs and tax base will be positive. Toward
26 that end, a joint BPA/Customer study should be conducted
27 through a public process; and
- 28 • All BPA ratepayers should have an opportunity to review and
29 comment on any proposed rate schedules or pricing
30 mechanisms that are targeted to favor a particular
31 industry(s).

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