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### **Arrowrock Hydroelectric Project Begins Producing Power**

Clatskanie PUD (CPUD) Project Manager Leo Quiachon was able to capture video of the startup of the Arrowrock Hydroelectric Project as it started producing power on January 28 at 12:27pm MT. Quiachon even managed to bottle the first water to flow through unit #1 as a way to commemorate the big day. Just days earlier, final testing had begun with the 18 MW Arrowrock Hydroelectric Project at the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation dam on the Boise River in Idaho. Quiachon was on site during the testing of unit #1 and reported that “the heat run test was executed flawlessly and the unit performed beyond the start up teams expectations.” After synchronization with the Idaho Power system, the unit went through load rejection tests which simulated an abnormal trip condition of the unit under load. The unit performed well and successfully completed a 10 day trial run with output running at 7,000 - 9,000 kWh. Unit #2, which is identical to unit #1, was successfully synchronized March 1. Although a big accomplishment, more tests need to be completed. Construction of the project has gone well since the October 2008 groundbreaking. The five irrigation districts and CPUD are planning an official dedication ceremony March 23. This project is being completed ahead of schedule and within budget; a great accomplishment for everyone involved. “It’s not every day that a new hydro-electric project gets built” says General Manager Greg Booth. CPUD is proud to be part of this project and it will be the feature cover story for the Northwest Public Power Association’s trade magazine in April. We will share the article with customers on our website [www.clatskaniepud.com](http://www.clatskaniepud.com) once it is published. Also on our website, we have posted updates, additional photos and videos taken during the testing period of the project.