



## APRIL 2011 NEWSLETTER

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### CHANGES TO BENEFITS ANNOUNCED

Clatskanie PUD provides credits to customer-owners through the Power Supply Benefit and the Co-generation Benefit. These two benefits have represented a \$.007/kWh reduction on your electric rates.

The Power Supply Benefit is designed to pass on the benefits when the District receives higher than forecasted wholesale power revenues. You can think of it as a dividend or bonus. When there is a good water year and favorable wholesale power market prices, the District will pass on those benefits to you. The Co-generation Benefit represents the net revenue from our share of electricity sales from the co-generation project located at the Georgia Pacific Wauna Mill.

As a result of record low water supply and low wholesale prices during 2009-10, the current Power Supply Benefit will expire March 31, 2011. In addition, during the last year the co-generation project had its lowest steam production since 1998, resulting in the change of the Co-generation Benefit to \$.003/kWh effective April 1, 2011, a reduction of \$.001 per kWh. Before these changes, a customer using 1,000 kWh a month would receive a \$7.00 credit from both of these benefits; it will now be \$3.00.

The amounts available for both of these benefits have, and will continue to change over time depending upon revenues available to the District. While these benefits are being reduced at this time, Clatskanie PUD still has the lowest residential electric rates in Oregon, a fact we are very proud of and work hard to maintain.

#### Call Before You Dig

Spring is here! If you plan on any activities that include digging, remember to call 811 before you dig and have all underground utilities marked. It's the law and will help you avoid repair costs and more importantly, injury.

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