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JANUARY 2010 NEWSLETTER

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Cold December = Higher Electric Bills

The month of December was sure a cold one. Cold and freezing temperatures were prevalent for the entire month and anytime the outside temperature drops into the 30's or lower, your electric bill can jump dramatically. As a courtesy to our customer-owners, CPUD will work with you to set up a temporary payment plan anytime the need arises, but especially now during a period of higher than usual electric bills. We still offer free energy audits and can provide tips for managing your energy consumption. Please call us at (503) 728-2163 and ask for Energy Services for more information. This is also a good time to think about assembling an power outage kit if you haven't done so already. CPUD always strive to restore power as soon as possible, but it's better to be prepared for the worse than not prepared at all.

2010 Annual PUD Calendars

The 2010 CPUD calendars are now available. Stop by our office or visit various businesses around Clatskanie or Rainier to get your copy. Donations are being accepted for the calendars, which will go toward the "Share the warmth" fund, a CPUD program which helps customers in need pay their electric bill.

Board Approves 2010 Budget

The Clatskanie PUD Board of Directors approved the 2010 Operating Budget at the December Board Meeting. The \$53.6 million budget reflects the implementation of the District's strategic plan in a manner that works within the District's financial resources, makes effective use of District personnel and provides for the timely completion of important capital additions including a new headquarters, substations and substation interconnections. System reliability and capacity are at the top of the District's priority list and customers will see the benefits of such improvements. Major projects for this year include completion of the Clatskanie Substation work, improvements to the Wauna Substation, completion of the interconnection between the Clatskanie and Delena Substations and various distribution facility upgrades.

Contact Information

To Report an Outage

During Business Hours 503-728-2163

After Hours, Holidays 503-728-4626

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