

MEMORANDUM

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD



TO: Commissioners Mital, Simpson, Helgeson, Manning and Brown

FROM: Susan Eicher, General Accounting and Treasury Supervisor; Debbie Matheney,

Accounting Analyst II

DATE: October 23, 2015

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 1531: 2016 Trojan Annual Operating Budget

OBJECTIVE: Board approval of Revised 2015 and Proposed 2016 Budgets for the Trojan

Nuclear Plant

Issue

The Consent Calendar for the November 3, 2015 Board Meeting includes a recommendation for Board approval of the Proposed 2016 Budget for the Trojan Nuclear Plant. As described below, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) pays all EWEB costs for Trojan and has indicated they will approve the 2016 budget, making the Board's action perfunctory, but necessary for compliance with policy.

Background

The Trojan Nuclear Plant was constructed in the early 1970's by Portland General Electric (PGE), EWEB, and Pacific Power & Light Company with EWEB owning a 30 percent share. Trojan operated from 1976 until 1993 when the owners agreed to shut down and decommission the facility.

EWEB and BPA entered into an agreement whereby EWEB assigned its rights to power to the project in return for BPA paying all EWEB costs related to project operations, maintenance and decommissioning, as well as EWEB debt service and internal costs related to oversight. In 1981, EWEB assigned its rights to any future power from the project to BPA. BPA has been and will continue to pay EWEB's share of the costs in accordance with the EWEB-BPA Net Billing Agreement for Trojan.

At this point, almost all of the decommissioning of the project is complete. All of the spent fuel has been transferred to a long-term storage facility at the Trojan site and will remain there until it can be relocated to a federal waste repository. Remaining costs primarily relate to the spent fuel storage costs. There is certain remaining property owned by the project which is gradually being disposed of over time.

Discussion

Each year, the co-owners review and approve the Trojan Project operating budget as prepared and proposed by PGE. Part of that process includes review and approval by the EWEB Board. BPA is currently reviewing the Trojan Project budget as proposed by PGE and EWEB's share of that proposed budget. PGE's approval of the proposed budget is expected prior to the end of this year. In the Trojan budget, the largest single cost relates to the spent fuel storage. Of the \$1.6 million budgeted as EWEB's share of the expenses, almost all of that relates to spent fuel storage. As mentioned above, under the term of the Net Billing Agreement between BPA and EWEB, BPA will pay 100 percent of EWEB's share of the costs associated with Trojan.

In mid-2009, the Trojan owners were notified that the stay on the litigation concerning financial responsibility for the spent fuel storage was being lifted. In the litigation the Trojan owners sought to get the federal government to pay some or all of the costs of maintaining the spent fuel storage based on the federal government's failure to take responsibility for spent fuel storage at a central repository. The Court ruled in favor of payment by the federal government in July 2013. EWEB has received three pass through payments since then which were subsequently issued to BPA. The first pass through of \$24.4 million was received by EWEB and issued to BPA on September 10, 2013, the second payment of \$2.6 million for years 2010-2012 on August 11, 2014, and the third payment of \$946,000 for 2013 on December 5, 2014.

With the Trojan bonds now paid off and expenses at a relatively low level, BPA has been paying EWEB for Trojan expenses directly rather than using the net billing process.

Recommendation and Requested Board Action

Management recommends approval of, and requests that the Board approve, Resolution No. 1531 - Revised 2015 and Proposed 2016 Trojan Annual Operating Budgets.

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET - FINAL (In Thousands of Dollars)

	2015 Revised	2015 Proposed	Increase/ (Decrease)
EWEB's share of operation costs	\$47	\$47	\$0
EWEB's share of decommissioning costs	1,350	1,347	3
EWEB's share of capital additions	0	0	0
TOTAL EWEB SHARE OF PGE COSTS	1,397	1,394	3
EWEB's direct costs	84	94	(10)
TOTAL OTHER COSTS	84	94	(10)
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS LESS:	1,481	1,488	(7)
Prior year general fund carry-over	(306)	(383)	77
General fund interest income	(1)	(2)	1
PLUS:	(5)	200	252
Year end general fund balance TOTAL REQUIREMENT	653 1,827	300 1,403	352 424
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE NET BILLED	1,827	1,403	424
ANNUAL FINANCING		,	
Beginning general fund balance	306	383	(77)
Net billings	1,827	1,403	424
Interest earnings on gen fund invest	1	2	(1)
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	2,134	1,788	346
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS	1,481	1,488	(7)
ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$653	\$300	\$353

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET - FINAL (In Thousands of Dollars)

DECOMMISSIONING COSTS

	2015	2015	Increase/
	Revised	Proposed	(Decrease)
USDOE Litigation Costs	\$20	\$50	(\$30)
ISFSI	\$4,481	\$5,676	(\$1,195)
DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	4,501	5,726	(1,225)
EWEB'S SHARE OF DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$1,350	<u>\$1,718</u>	(\$368)

CAPITAL ADDITIONS

	2015 Revised	2015 Proposed	Increase/ (Decrease)
Capital Jobs	\$0	\$29	(\$29)
EWEB'S SHARE OF CAPITAL ADDITIONS	\$0	\$9	(\$9)

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2015 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET - FINAL

EWEB DIRECT COSTS

	2015 Revised	2015 Proposed	Increase/ (Decrease)
Labor	\$7,500	\$16,472	(\$8,972)
Overhead	750	1,647	(897)
LABOR & TRAVEL	8,250	18,119	(9,869)
Legal Trustee & Bank Fee OTHER	75,000	75,000	0
	385	1,000	(615)
	75,385	76,000	(615)
EWEB DIRECT COSTS	\$83,635	\$94,119	(\$10,484)

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2016 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET- PRELIMINARY (In Thousands of Dollars)

_	2016 Budget	2015 Revised	Increase/ (Decrease)
EWEB's share of operation costs	\$39	\$47	(\$8)
EWEB's share of decommissioning costs	1,599	1,350	249
EWEB's share of capital additions	1	0	1
TOTAL EWEB SHARE OF PGE COSTS	1,639	1,397	242
EWEB's direct costs	94_	84	10
TOTAL OTHER COSTS	94	84	10
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS	1,733	1,481	252
LESS:			
Prior year general fund carry-over	(653)	(306)	(347)
General fund interest income	(2)	(1)	(1)
PLUS:			
Year end general fund balance	300	653	(353)
TOTAL REQUIREMENT	1,378	1,827	(449)
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE NET BILLED =	1,378	1,827	(449)
ANNUAL FINANCING			
Beginning general fund balance	653	306	347
Net billings	1,378	1,827	(449)
Interest earnings on gen fund invest	2	1	1
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	2,033	2,134	(101)
TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS	1,733	1,481	252
ENDING GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$300	\$653	(\$353)

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2016 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET- PRELIMINARY (In Thousands of Dollars)

DECOMMISSIONING COSTS

	2016	2015	Increase/
	Budget	Revised	(Decrease)
USDOE Litigation Costs	\$20	\$20	\$0
ISFSI	\$5,310	\$4,481	\$829
DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	5,330	4,501	829
EWEB'S SHARE OF DECOMMISSIONING COSTS	\$1,599	\$1,350	\$249

CAPITAL ADDITIONS

	2016 Budget	2015 Revised	Increase/ (Decrease)
Capital Jobs	\$4	\$0	\$4
EWEB'S SHARE OF CAPITAL ADDITIONS	\$1	\$0	\$1 _

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD TROJAN NUCLEAR PLANT 2016 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET- PRELIMINARY (In Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATION & OTHER COSTS

	2016 Budget	2015 Revised	Increase/ (Decrease)
Administrative & General Property Insurance Injuries and Damages	\$0 9 2	\$0 9 2	\$0 (0) 0
Employee Benefits Misc. General Expenses	14 110	17 131	(3)
OPERATIONS	136	159	(23)
Payroll taxes Other interest expense/Rental Revenue	5 (10)	7 (9)	(1) (1)
OTHER	(5)	(2)	(2)
OTHER WORKING CAPITAL CHANGE	0	1	(1)
TOTAL OPERATION & OTHER	131	158	(27)
EWEB'S SHARE OF O & M COSTS	39	47	(8)

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EWEB DIRECT COSTS

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OTHER	76,000	75,385	615
EWEB DIRECT COSTS	\$94,119	\$83,635	\$10,484

RESOLUTION NO 1531 November 2015

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD 2015 Revised and 2016 Trojan Budgets

WHEREAS, the Eugene Water & Electric Board is the body designated by the Eugene City Charter and City Code to administer the Electric and Water utilities of the City of Eugene;

WHEREAS, the Trojan nuclear plant was constructed in the early 1970's by Portland General Electric, EWEB and Pacific Power & Light Company with EWEB owning a 30 percent share;

WHEREAS, the owners agreed to shut down and decommission the facility after operating it from 1976 – 1993;

WHEREAS, EWEB and Bonneville Power Administration entered into an agreement whereby EWEB assigned its rights to power to the project in return for Bonneville Power Administration paying all EWEB costs related to project operation, maintenance and decommissioning as well as EWEB debt service and internal costs related to oversight;

WHEREAS, the co-owners review and approve the Trojan Project operating budget annually as prepared and proposed by Portland General Electric;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eugene Water & Electric Board that:

1. The Board hereby has reviewed and approves the 2015 revised and 2016 proposed Trojan Budgets.

DATED this 3rd day of November 2015.

THE CITY OF EUGENE, OREGON
Acting by and through the
Eugene Water & Electric Board
President

I, ANNE M. KAH, the duly appointed, qualified, and acting Assistant Secretary of the Eugene Water & Electric Board, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board at its November 3, 2015 Regular Board Meeting.

Assistant Secretary	