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Mason PUD 3 commissioner elected president of Energy Northwest Board of Directors

RICHLAND, Wash. – Public utility leaders from across Washington today elected Commissioner Linda Gott of Mason County Public Utility District 3 to serve as president of Energy Northwest’s Board of Directors for a two-year term. The public power agency’s 27-member board of directors represents the 22 public utility districts and five municipal utilities that make up Energy Northwest. The board of directors has sole authority to authorize and terminate projects.

Mason County PUD 3 commissioners appointed Gott to the Energy Northwest Board of Directors in 2007. She served as alternate to the EN board for six years prior. She was elected to serve as the board vice president in 2011.

Gott has served as a Mason County Commissioner since 1999. She also serves on the American Public Power Association's Legislative and Resolutions Committee and is past president of Public Utility Risk Management Services. In addition, she currently serves on the NoaNet Board of Directors and served six years on the Northwest Public Power Association Board of Trustees. She previously served for six years as the PUD’s representative to the Economic Development Council of Mason County and continues to actively promote the benefits of public power and its involvement in and build-out of rural telecommunication systems using fiber optic technology.

“It will be my pleasure to serve as the board of director’s president for the next two years,” said Gott. “I look forward to working with the board of directors, executive board and Energy Northwest staff to promote Energy Northwest’s mission of providing safe, reliable and cost effective power to our public power members and regional ratepayers.”

“Congratulations to the new officers representing the board of directors and the members of Energy Northwest,” said Mark Reddemann, Energy Northwest CEO in his opening board meeting remarks following the election. “And thank you to those officers from last year for all your hard work.”

Gott’s new role and term is effective immediately.

About Energy Northwest

Energy Northwest develops, owns and operates a diverse mix of electricity generating resources, including hydro, solar and wind projects – and the Northwest’s only nuclear power plant. These projects provide enough reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible energy to power more than a million homes each year, and that carbon-free electricity is provided at the cost of generation. As a Washington state, not-for-profit joint operating agency, Energy Northwest comprises 27 public power member utilities from across the state serving more than 1.5 million ratepayers. The agency continually explores new generation projects to meet its members’ needs. Energy Northwest – www.energy-northwest.com.



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