

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8713

By Senators Hewitt, King, Schoesler, Holmquist, Honeyford, and Fraser

WHEREAS, Pacific Power & Light, known today as Pacific Power, was incorporated June 16, 1910, with the combination of small utilities in four Northwest communities, including Walla Walla and Yakima, Washington; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power celebrates its centennial anniversary of serving the Pacific Northwest in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power employs more than 200 full-time employees with family wage jobs in the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power provides reliable electric service to more than 120,000 Washington customers in Walla Walla, Yakima, Dayton, Waitsburg, Pomeroy, Prescott, Sunnyside, College Place, Mabton, Wapato, and Naches; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power owns more than 800 megawatts of clean, renewable wind and hydroelectric generation facilities in the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power, together with its parent company, MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company, is the largest utility owner of wind generation in the country; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power is the provider of the nationally acclaimed Blue Sky renewable program for customers, named Green Power Program of the Year in 2007 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy; and

WHEREAS, The company's philanthropic arm, the Pacific Power Foundation, has provided more than 2.3 million dollars in grants to Washington organizations and communities since 1989; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power and its employees have a strong history of community involvement, including support and leadership of numerous civic and economic development organizations; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power was the first utility in the nation to offer its customers zero-interest loans to finance residential weatherization improvements, and continues to offer energy efficiency programs for its residential and commercial customers; and

WHEREAS, Pacific Power's strong commitment to economic development has led to the recruitment of new businesses to the state, and support that has helped existing businesses to expand and operate more efficiently;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate hereby acknowledge and honor Pacific Power, in celebration of its 100th year in operation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Pacific Power's field offices in Walla Walla and Yakima, Washington, and to its corporate offices in Portland, Oregon.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8713,  
adopted by the Senate  
March 7, 2010

THOMAS HOEMANN  
Secretary of the Senate