



**Fast Facts**  
(as of December 31, 2009)

**Number of Customers:** 47,328

**Residential Electric Rate:**

\$0.0578 per kWh plus \$8.80 monthly customer charge (single phase)

[as of 1/1/ 2010 - \$0.0605 per kWh plus \$9.20 monthly customer charge (single phase)]

**Average Annual Residential Customer Use:** 18,402 kWh

**Annual MWh Sales:** 2,394,099 (includes sales for resale)

**Annual MWh Sales:** 1,726,341 (excludes sales for resale)

Residential 41.8%

General 30.7%

Large Industrial 2.3%

Irrigation 24.8%

Other 0.5%

**System Average Load:**

Total Wholesale Load – 203 aMW

Total Retail Load – 197 aMW

**2009 System Peak Load:**

Summer – 401 MW – July 2009

Winter – 341 MW – December 2009

**Record System Peak Loads:**

Summer – 401 MW – July 2009

Winter – 392 MW – Feb 1996

**Fuel Mix: (2008)**

<i>Biomass</i>	.09%
<i>Coal</i>	2.16%
<i>Hydro</i>	84.67%
<i>Landfill Gases</i>	.01%
<i>Natural Gas</i>	.93%
<i>Nuclear</i>	11.63%
<i>Waste</i>	.05%
<i>Wind</i>	.44%
<i>Other</i>	.02%

**2009 Financial Results:**

Operating Revenues – \$133.3 million

Power Supply Costs – \$85.8 million

Net Capital Costs – \$12.5 million

**Bond Rating:** (updated 7/13/10)

Fitch- A+

Standard & Poor's- A+

Moody's- Aa3

**Service Territory:** 939 square miles in Benton County

**Miles of Lines:**

90 miles of 115 kV transmission lines

1,582 miles of distribution lines

**Substations:**

37 Total – 20 of which are on the Columbia River serving large farms

Substation Capacity: 653 MVA

**Transformers:** 17,307 Total

**Line Transformer Capacity:** 1,208 MVA

**Meters:** 46,883 Total

**Broadband:**

Number of customers: 670 Ethernet, Wireless & TDM end users

Retail Service Providers: 12

Miles of Fiber: 125

Number of wireless sites: 12

**Employees:** 150 Total

Administrative – 87

Operations – 57

Prosser – 6

Average Employee Tenure – 12.5 years

**Phone Numbers**

Administrative.....	582-2175
Outage Number .....	582-2176
.....	(starting 8/1/10: 1-888-582-2176)
Prosser Office .....	786-1841
Conservation .....	582-1234
U-Dig.....	1-800-424-5555

**Benton PUD Commissioners**

Lori Sanders, President – Elected 2005

Jeff Hall, Secretary – Appointed & Elected 2002, Re-Elected 2008

Robert Bertsch, Vice-President – Appointed 2006

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