### RESOLUTION NO. <u>13-1382</u>5

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE DISTRICT'S 10-YEAR CONSERVATION POTENTIAL PLAN AND TWO-YEAR CONSERVATION TARGET AS REQUIRED UNDER RCW CHAPTER 19.285

#### FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND REASONS FOR ACTION

In November 2006, Washington voters approved the Energy Independence Act (the Act), also known as Initiative 937. The Act, codified as RCW Chapter 19.285, directs electric utilities that serve more than 25,000 customers to develop a 10-year conservation plan and a two-year target. The District serves more than 25,000 electric customers and is subject to the Act's requirements.

Conservation is defined in the statute as any reduction in electric power consumption resulting from an increase in the efficiency of energy use, production or distribution. Beginning in January 1, 2010, qualifying utilities have been required under the Act to acquire all conservation that is cost-effective, reliable and feasible. Utilities are required to identify their achievable cost-effective conservation potential. Every two years the utility must review and update its 10-year conservation potential plan. Each qualifying utility must establish a biennial acquisition target that is not less than the pro rata share of the 10-year conservation potential and meet that target during the subsequent two-year period.

The Washington State Department of Commerce has provided three methods to identify a utilities achievable, cost-effective conservation potential. Staff is recommending the option identified as "Utility Specific Analysis" as being the best method for determining the District's achievable cost-effective potential and updating the District's 10-year conservation potential plan. The recommended 10-year conservation plan and associated 2014/2015 target is attached as Exhibit A. The General Manager concurs with this recommendation.

On November 4, 2013, a legal advertisement notifying customers of a public hearing and opportunity to submit public comment on conservation targets and planning appeared in The Wenatchee World. On December 2, 2013, the properly noticed public hearing established the 10-year conservation plan and two-year conservation target as required under RCW Chapter 19.285. No comments were received prior to the hearing on December 2, 2013.

#### **ACTION**

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION of PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF CHELAN COUNTY that:

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Section 1. The District hereby establishes the 10-year conservation potential plan and two-year conservation targets as set forth in Exhibit A. The Commission will review the plan and target as required by RCW 19.285. The District's biennial target for compliance with the Act shall be 2.08 aMW.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2013.

President

ATTEST:

Vice President

Secretary

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Exhibit A

# Chelan County PUD 10-year Conservation Potential Plan

## Achievable 10-Year Savings/Plan

