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 utilities that serve more than 25,000 customers to develop targets for energy conservation and use of eligible renewable resources. 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 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 and 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 District has developed its biennial target and 10-year plan in accordance with RCW 19.285 and WAC 194-37-070. The recommended 10-year conservation potential plan is attached as Exhibit A. The General Manager concurs with this recommendation.

On November 16, 2019, 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, 2019, 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, 2019.

ACTION

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF CHELAN COUNTY, as follows:
Section 1. It is in the best interest of the District to establish the 10-year conservation potential plan and two-year conservation target 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 shall be no less than its pro rata share of its 10-year conservation potential plan.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 2019.

ATTEST:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Commissioner

Commissioner

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Exhibit A

Biennial Target and Two-Year Prorata Share of Ten-Year Conservation Potential

Biennial Target
2.82 Total aMW

TRC Achievable Economic Potential (aMW)

2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029