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NEWS RELEASE:
Two chosen to serve transmission customers

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VANCOUVER, Wash. – Utilities and others who use high-voltage transmission have two new account executives to help them get electricity to their customers.

Mike Raschio and Kip Moxness were appointed as Transmission Business line customer account executives. Both will begin their new duties in early March.

Raschio will serve utilities in the Portland-Vancouver and Seattle areas. He has been an engineer at BPA since 1968.

Moxness will work with power brokers, marketers and independent power producers along the West Coast. He has 20 years experience in power sales as a senior contract negotiator and BPA policy expert.

The new account executives help BPA meet new rules set by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The rules call for wholesale entities to separate power from transmission activities. The account executives will be offering contracts and prices on an equal basis to all qualifying customers who would use the federal transmission grid, including BPA's. Power Business Line with the addition of Raschio and Moxness BPA's transmission business line will be staffed by 11 Account Executives.

BPA owns 80 percent of the region's high-voltage transmission capability. Northwest electricity users have invested \$4.8 billion to build more than 15,000 miles of federal transmission line and related facilities. The lines can carry enough electricity to power 25 cities the size of Seattle.

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