

RESOLUTION #703

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF KITTITAS COUNTY PUD NO. 1 SUPPORTING THE TRANSMISSION
IMPROVEMENTS GROUP**

WHEREAS, the Northwest's electricity transmission system faces increasing demands every day as more homes are built and businesses expand; and

WHEREAS, Kittitas PUD realizes changes are needed to maintain the system's reliability, efficiency and security; and

WHEREAS, of the options the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is considering to improve the transmission system, the Transmission Improvements Group (TIG) proposal is the best fit for the Northwest; and

WHEREAS, the TIG plan proposes concrete and detailed transmission improvements in the areas of planning and expansion, reliability, purchasing and sale of transmission rights, uniform calculation of available capacity and market monitoring; and

WHEREAS, the TIG plan offers a flexible, measured approach that can make improvements relatively quickly and reduce risk and cost; and

WHEREAS, the TIG plan relies on contracts and existing entities, capitalizing on the Northwest's history of working together; and

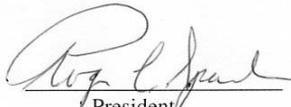
WHEREAS, the TIG plan does not create a new entity that would fall under the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and

WHEREAS, the TIG plan maintains local control of the Northwest's power grid and remains accountable to those who pay the bills – the region's ratepayers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of Kittitas County PUD No. 1 believe the TIG plan is the best solution to the Northwest's transmission issues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioners of Kittitas County PUD No. 1 urges BPA to choose the TIG proposal when it announces its decision on Sept. 30, 2005.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Kittitas County this 27th day of September, 2005.


President

Secretary


Vice President