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## BPA names Marcus Harris long-term acting chief financial officer

**Portland, Oregon** – The Bonneville Power Administration has appointed Marcus Harris as acting executive vice president and chief financial officer starting June XX. As CFO, Harris will oversee BPA's debt management program, accounting, cash management, and budgeting for BPA's \$1 billion total capital budget and \$4.3 billion total expense budget.

Harris is currently the deputy chief operating officer, a position he has held since July 2020. He will serve as acting CFO while BPA's permanent CFO, Michelle Manary, serves a detail with the Department of Energy's Office of Electricity.

"Marcus brings a decade of experience with BPA's finances to this position," said Administrator and CEO John Hairston. "I'm thankful we can lean on his experience while Michelle supports the Department of Energy."

In May, DOE recruited Manary to serve in a two-year detail as deputy assistant secretary for the Energy Resilience Division, where she is helping lead the department's focus on transmission infrastructure policy issues in support of national clean energy objectives.

Harris started at BPA in 2009 as a student trainee within Finance before taking a full-time position as a financial analyst. He later served in management roles in the Treasury and Budget organizations within Finance, including as the Budget Officer and Manager of Financial Planning and Analysis. He also led the development of BPA's 2018 Financial Plan, a key component of BPA's 2018-2023 Strategic Plan.

"I am excited to return to Finance and leverage the strong skillsets of the workforce to further build cost transparency and cost discipline across BPA," said Harris. "I'm looking forward to partnering with our customers and stakeholders as we refresh elements of the Financial Plan to maintain and build on the agency's financial strength," said Harris.

As the deputy chief operating officer, Harris was responsible for leading critical crossorganizational initiatives including program planning, strategic cost management and developing capital performance metrics and was responsible for the oversight of Power Services;



Transmission Services; Environment, Fish and Wildlife; Customer Support Services; and the Business Transformation Office.

Harris has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Vanguard University of Southern California and graduated summa cum laude from Willamette University with a master's in business administration.

## **About BPA**

The Bonneville Power Administration, headquartered in Portland, Oregon, is a nonprofit federal power marketer that sells wholesale, carbon-free hydropower from 31 federal dams in the Columbia River Basin. It also markets the output of the region's only nuclear plant. BPA delivers this power to more than 140 Northwest electric utilities, serving millions of consumers and businesses in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, western Montana and parts of California, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. BPA also owns and operates more than 15,000 circuit miles of high-voltage power lines and 261 substations, and provides transmission service to more than 300 customers. In all, BPA provides nearly a third of the power generated in the Northwest. To mitigate the impacts of the federal dams, BPA implements a fish and wildlife program that includes working with its partners to make the federal dams safer for fish passage. It also pursues cost-effective energy savings and operational solutions that help maintain safe, affordable, reliable electric power for the Northwest. <a href="https://www.bpa.gov">www.bpa.gov</a>