

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Board of Directors
Orcas Power & Light Cooperative

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Orcas Power & Light Cooperative (the Cooperative), which comprise the balance sheets as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of revenues and margins, changes in patronage capital and other equities, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 14, 2015. In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 14, 2015, on our consideration of the Cooperative's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. No reports other than the reports referred to above have been furnished to management.

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Cooperative failed to comply with the terms, covenants, provisions, or conditions of its loan, grant, and security instruments as set forth in 7 CFR Part 1773, *Policy on Audits of Rural Utilities Service Borrowers*, §1773.33, and clarified in the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) policy memorandum dated February 7, 2014, insofar as they relate to accounting matters as enumerated below. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of noncompliance. Accordingly, had we performed additional procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding the Cooperative's noncompliance with the above-referenced terms, covenants, provisions, or conditions of the contractual agreements and regulatory requirements, insofar as they relate to accounting matters. In connection with our audit, we noted no matters regarding the Cooperative's accounting and records to indicate that the Cooperative did not:

- Maintain adequate and effective accounting procedures;
- Utilize adequate and fair methods for accumulating and recording labor, material, and overhead
  costs, and the distribution of these costs to construction, retirement, and maintenance or other
  expense accounts;
- Reconcile continuing property records to the controlling general ledger plant accounts;
- Clear construction accounts and accrue depreciation on completed construction;
- Record and properly price the retirement of plant;
- Seek approval of the sale, lease, or transfer of capital assets and disposition of proceeds for the sale or lease of plant, material, or scrap;



- Maintain adequate control over materials and supplies;
- Prepare accurate and timely financial and operating reports;
- Obtain written RUS approval to enter into any contract for the management, operation, or maintenance of the borrower's system if the contract covers all or substantially all of the electric system;
- Disclose material related party transactions in the financial statements, in accordance with requirements for related parties in generally accepted accounting principles;
- Record depreciation in accordance with RUS requirements (see RUS Bulletin 183-1, *Depreciation Rates and Procedures*);
- Comply with the requirements for the detailed schedule of deferred debits and deferred credits; and
- Comply with the requirements for the detailed schedule of investments.

The purpose of this report is solely to communicate, in connection with the audit of the financial statements, on compliance with aspects of contractual agreements and regulatory requirements for electric borrowers based on the requirements of 7 CFR Part 1773, as clarified in the RUS policy memorandum dated February 7, 2014. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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April 14, 2015