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MEMORANDUM

TO: Power Committee

FROM: Terry Morlan

SUBJECT: Discussion of Creation of an RTF Policy Advisory Committee

Council is scheduled to make a decision on whether to create a Regional Technical Forum (RTF) Policy Advisory Committee to provide policy advice to the Council about the Regional Technical Forum activities, work plans, priorities, and funding. The Council packet contains a decision memorandum, charter, list of organizations expected to participate, and additional background information.

The recommendation for creating a RTF Policy Advisory Committee comes from a RTF Review Committee appointed through the Northwest Energy Efficiency Task Force. This review committee also recommended other changes to the RTF operations and management, most of which have been, or are in process of being, implemented.

In addition to policy recommendations to the Council regarding RTF activities, the RTF Policy Advisory Committee is to develop long-term funding agreements for the RTF.

The Power Committee will discuss the proposal for forming the RTF Policy Advisory Committee and, if possible, develop a recommendation to the full Council on whether to approve the creation of the committee and its charter.

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