DOE Initiates Search For New BPA Administrator/CEO

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Portland, OR - The Department of Energy has launched a nationwide search to find the next Bonneville Power Adminis

Current BPA Administrator and CEO Steve Wright will continue to serve in that position as the search for a new Administrator proceeds. He plans to stay on to support the transition to his successor until his retirement in January.

The BPA Administrator has the responsibility to set goals and strategies for a wide range of duties, including:

• Establishing and revising wholesale rates and planning and acquiring electric power resources, including conservation to meet contractual commitments;

• Developing, planning and operation of the more than 15,000 miles of high-voltage transmission owned and operated by BPA and management of more than $23 billion of agency assets in collaboration with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation;

• Collaborating with federal, state and Tribal fishery managers to mitigate for damage caused by the Columbia River Basin federal hydroelectric system to fish and wildlife;

• Consulting and collaborating with a wide variety of organizations, elected officials and others to minimize disruptions to the western transmission grid, implement new techniques and concepts in electric power generation and transmission planning; and

• Providing leadership in broad policy establishment at the national level with officials of the Department of Energy, other federal agencies, Congress and stakeholders on a variety of issues and topics related to energy, environmental stewardship and legislation.

To accomplish these duties, the BPA Administrator leads a staff of motivated, engaged problem solvers dedicated to p

The agency and its employees also have built one of largest ecosystem protection and restoration programs in the world. The new Administrator will lead a workforce that continues to develop technical, contractual and innovative solutions that help the agency preserve and expand the value of the region’s hydropower and transmission assets and meet a host of regulatory, technical and other challenges. The agency’s pioneering work on a number of fronts reaches well beyond the Northwest.

Interested applicants have until Friday, October 5 to submit application materials to the Department of Energy. Additio
vacancy announcement.