

**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Okanogan County  
Public Utility District Board of Commissioners  
Held in Okanogan April 22, 2003**

Present:      Board:      David Womack, Darrel Bunch  
                 Staff:      Harlan Warner, Joe Miller, Steve Brown  
                 Other:      Representative Nethercutt & staff Shelly Short  
                 Public:      Susie Ives

Vice-President Womack called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

Numerous utility issues were discussed, some of which were the status of the Energy Bill recently passed by the House of Representatives; FERC activities on Standard Market Design and Regional Transmission Organizations; BPA rates including residential exchange costs and the high percentage of the federal system benefits which now flow to the IOUs; telecommunications funding to provide for installing rural infrastructure; and the need to establish accountability with fish and wildlife funding.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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Donald W. Johnson, President

ATTEST:

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David A. Womack, Vice-President

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Darrel E. Bunch, Secretary