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After 75 years, Bonneville continues to bring hydropower to NW

Washington, D.C. (September 15, 2012) – The following is a statement from Linda Church Ciocci, Executive Director of the National Hydropower Association, on the 75th anniversary of the Bonneville Power Administration:

“NHA extends its deepest congratulations to Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), which for 75 years now has provided the citizens of the Pacific Northwest with access to available, affordable, reliable, and sustainable hydropower.

“From the moment President Franklin Delano Roosevelt signed the Bonneville Power Act into law, the Columbia River electrified rural communities, powered the defense of this nation during World War II, and created jobs during the Great Depression. To this day, hydropower from BPA and others in the region continue to fuel the economy with cost-effective clean energy.

“I am so pleased to be here at Bonneville Dam for this momentous occasion and to participate in the celebration of BPA’s 75th anniversary. It’s a testament to the importance of hydropower to the nation’s development, not only as we look to its past, but also its future.”

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