

**PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO.1
OF
JEFFERSON COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-004

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Jefferson County, Washington ("the PUD"), declaring an emergency related to the repair of substation transformers and authorizing the PUD Manager to purchase materials and order work to secure the necessary repairs to substation transformers and declaring that the unprecedented continuing impacts to supply chains created by the Covid-19 pandemic presents a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential utility functions

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 54.04.070, RCW 39.04.280 and the PUD's Procurement policies, the PUD may waive the competitive bidding requirements for purchases and/or public works in the event of an emergency, and;

WHEREAS, the electric utility industry has faced unprecedented delays in the procurement of transformers and related parts necessary to operate the grid, provide reliable electric service, and restore power following severe storms and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the PUD requires necessary repairs to its substation transformers without which its operations are severely impacted and threaten essential utility functions; and

WHEREAS, the utility industry including the American Public Power Association and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association has issued a formal appeal to Congress and the President to invoke the Defense Production Act in order to address the emergency related to transformer procurement reflected in attached Exhibit 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Jefferson County, that it incorporates the above Recitals, and declares that there exists an emergency related to the procurement of substation transformer repairs due to the unprecedented impacts to supply chains, and such emergency constitutes a real, immediate threat to the PUD's proper performance of its essential utility functions; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the PUD and the Board of Commissioners recognize and acknowledge that there are current impacts to transformer supply chains and specifically adopt the utility industry letter attached and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners hereby waives competitive bidding for the procurement of parts, materials, equipment and services related to necessary repairs to substation transformers and authorizes the PUD Manager to take all necessary steps to procure this necessary equipment to allow for such repairs.

ADOPTED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 1 of Jefferson County, Washington, at a regular open meeting held the day of January 17, 2023

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