# **Tacoma Power Overview**

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# Introduction Who is Tacoma Power?

Municipal utility formed in 1893 providing retail electric and Telecommunications services to the greater Tacoma area.

One division of Tacoma Public Utilities

- Tacoma Power
- Tacoma Water
- Tacoma Rail

### **Quick Facts**

- Service Area: 180 square miles
- Customers Served: 175,000 (54% in city limits and 46% outside)
- Fourth largest public power utility in WA
- Approximately 850 Employees
- Average residential cost: \$0.086/kWh





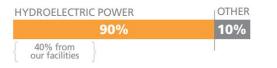


### Introduction

# How do we serve our customers?

### **60% Contracted Generation**

Long-term Power supply contract with Bonneville Power Administration and Other Sources



### **Quick Facts**

- 5 transmission substations & 351 miles of transmission lines
- 49 distribution substations & 2,014 miles of distribution lines
- 23 BPA customer substations
- 8 generation switchyards
- Virtually carbon free power portfolio

### **40% Owned Generation**

7 projects on 4 rivers in Western Washington







### **Customer Demographics**

## Who are our Customers?

### **Ten Largest Customers**

In 2015, these 10 customers accounted for approximately 15% of revenues and 26% of retail energy sales

#### ENERGY SALES (MWh)

48%	43%	8%
INDUSTRIAL	RESIDENTIAL	OTHER

Customer	Business Description
Westrock CP LLC*	Pulp and Paper
Joint Base Lewis-McChord	Military Base
Praxair Inc.*	Industrial Gases
City of Tacoma	Government
Muticare Health System	Healthcare
US Oil & Refining	Oil Refining
Tacoma School District	Education
Pierce County	Government
State of Washington	Government
Puyallup Tribe of Indians	Government
* Contract Industrial Customers	

### **Customers by Rate Class**

Same residential rates inside and outside city of Tacoma

TACOMA CITY LIMITS	
54%	46%
INSIDE	OUTSIDE



Customer Classes	% of 2015 Retail Revenue
Residential (A-1, A-2)	46.93%
Small General (B)	8.55%
General (G)	31.01%
High Voltage General (HVG)	5.91%
Contract Industrial (CP)	6.78%
Street & Traffic Lighting (H-1)	0.42%
Private Off-Street Lighting (H-2)	0.40%
2015 Total Retail Sales	\$315,205,817



## Economic Growth Washington Boom

### Seattle/Tacoma Cost of LivingComparison

Cost of Living Indexes	Seattle	Tacoma
Overall	176.5	112.9
Food	110.2	100.7
Housing	314.5	121.5
Utilities	94	102.9
Transportation	113.3	106.9
Health	116.2	110.1
Miscellaneous 100=national average;	113.1	116

Data summary provided by bestplaces.net based on most recently available census data

Tacoma's cost of living is 36% lower than Seattle

Housing is 61% more affordable

640 new housing units in 2016, 1,200 planned for 2017



### Seattle skyline is tops in construction cranes — more than any other U.S. city

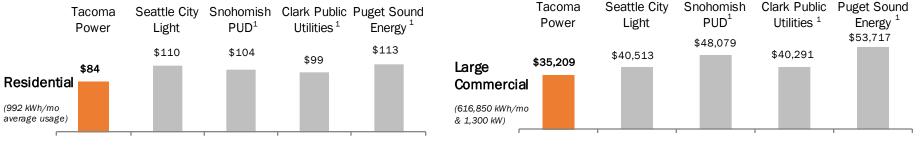
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# Low and Competitive Rates

Our rates remain lower than many of our peers



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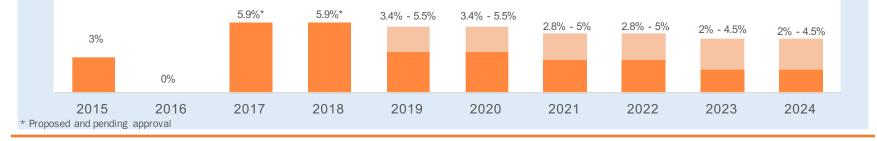


## Rate Information Stable and Predictable Rate Increases

### **Projected Rate Increases**

This forecast is subject to change, and is dependent upon actual financial performance in future years

Additional shading in future years represents uncertainty associated with revenues and expenses, mostly due to potential for adverse or critical water conditions.



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## Projected Capital Improvements Steady Capital Investments

### Continued investment in the safe and reliable operation of the utility

Funding Source	2015/2016*	2017/2018	2019/2020
Debt Financed	\$98,265,000	\$108,655,000	\$107,707,200
<b>Revenue Financed</b>	\$50,065,000	\$81,830,000	\$71,804,800
Total Capital	\$148,330,000	\$190,485,000	\$179,512,000

\*Actuals

### **Major Capital Projects**

- Conversion of City Street Lights to LEDs
- Automated Metering Infrastructure
- Cowlitz and Cushman License Implementation Projects
- Dam Modernization and Safety Improvements
- Fish Hatchery and Habitat Improvements
- Power Transformer, Cable, and Pole Replacements





Financial Overview Ratings & S&P Affirmed our AA rating wit				Investment Grade	Moody's Aaa Aa1 Aa2 Aa3 A1 A2 A3 Baa1 Baa2 Baa3	S&P AAA AA+ AA AA- A+ A A- BBB+ BBB BBB-	Fitch AAA AA+ AA AA- A+ A A- BBB+ BBB BBB-
	Tacoma Power 2014	Tacoma Power 2015	Tacoma Power 2016*	Non-Investmen Grade Speculativ	Ba1 Ba2 Ba3 B1 B2	BB+ BB BB- B+	BB BB BB- BB- B+ B+
Adjusted Debt Service Coverage (adjusted)	1.84x	2.01x	2.32x		B2 B3 Caa1 Caa2	B B- CCC+ CCC	B B-
Days Cash on Hand	335	215	240		Caa3	CCC- CCC	CCC
Debt Ratio *Unaudited	36%	26%	26%		Ca C	D	DDD DD D
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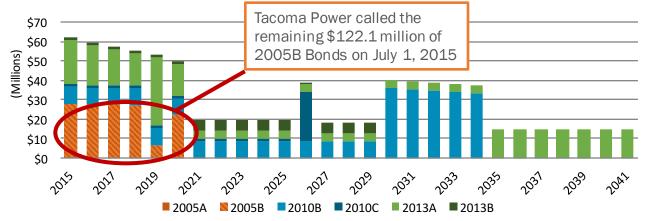
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### **2015 Financing Plan Impact**

# Using cash to reduce debt service

### **Conservative Budgeting Practices**

- 1. Tacoma Power budgets conservatively, assuming water conditions with a historical probability likely to occur 1 out of 4 years
- 2. Cash Reserves in excess of financial targets can be used to reduce outstanding debt or fund capital projects



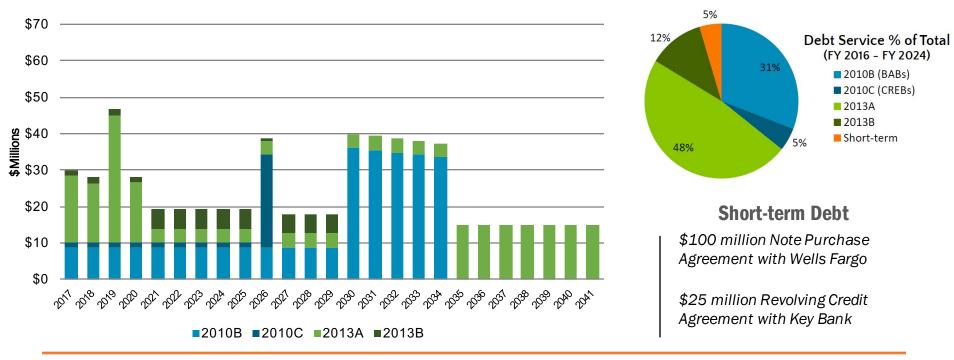
#### Positive Impacts for Customers

- 24% overall debt reduction
- \$14 million in interest savings
- Additional flexibility for future issuances



### **Financial Overview**

## **Annual Debt Service Requirements**



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