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RESOLUTION NO. U-____

- A RESOLUTION relating to Tacoma Power; approving a Supplemental Ordinance; 1 authorizing the issuance of one or more series of Electric System Revenue 2 and Refunding Bonds, Series 2025, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$325,000,000; and approving other matters related thereto. 3 WHEREAS the City of Tacoma, Washington ("City"), by Ordinance 4 5 No. 23514, passed on November 20, 1985 (as amended and supplemented, 6 including as amended and restated by Ordinance No. 28146, passed on April 30, 7 2013, as amended by Ordinance No. 28444, passed on August 1, 2017, as 8 amended by Ordinance No. 28773, passed on August 3, 2021, and as amended 9 10 by Ordinance No. 28932, passed on January 16, 2024 (collectively, "Master 11 Ordinance"), authorized revenue bonds of the City ("Parity Bonds") to be issued in 12 series having a parity of lien and charge on the Revenues of the Electric System 13 after the payment of Operating Expenses (as those terms are defined therein), if 14 certain conditions are met, and made covenants in connection with the issuance of 15 16 such Parity Bonds, and 17 WHEREAS pursuant to the terms of the Master Ordinance, the City acting 18 through its Department of Public Utilities, Light Division (d/b/a "Tacoma Power"), 19 has issued and currently has outstanding certain Electric System bonds (together, 20 "Outstanding Parity Bonds"), and 21 WHEREAS certain Outstanding Parity Bonds may be defeased and/or 22 23 redeemed in whole or in part, in accordance with the terms of the respective series 24 authorizing ordinance, and 25
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WHEREAS the Public Utility Board ("Board") finds that it is in the best interest of Tacoma Power and its ratepayers that the City issue one or more series 2 of Electric System Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2025 ("Bonds") and to 3 use proceeds of such Bonds, together with available funds of the City, to finance 4 and/or reimburse the City for capital improvements to the Electric System, to 6 defease and/or redeem certain Outstanding Parity Bonds, and to pay the costs of 7 issuance for the Bonds, and

8 WHEREAS the Board further finds that certain of the capital improvements 9 to be financed, reimbursed and/or refinanced with proceeds of the Bonds, have 10 environmentally beneficial attributes consistent with the City's Environmental 11 12 Action Plan and other environmental priorities and goals of Tacoma Power 13 designed to mitigate the impacts of climate change and promote sustainability and 14 conservation, and

WHEREAS the Board desires to authorize the designation of all or a portion 16 of the Bonds issued to finance, reimburse and/or refinance such improvements, 17 which have environmentally beneficial attributes, as "Green Bonds" in accordance 18 19 with the voluntary, generally accepted Green Bond Principles promulgated by the 20 International Capital Market Association and/or other relevant standards or 21 frameworks, and the City is permitted to make such a voluntary designation based 22 on the intended use of such proceeds, and 23

24 WHEREAS Tacoma Power expects to receive a proposal from Raymond 25 James & Associates, Inc., BofA Securities, Inc., and Siebert Williams Shank & Co., 26

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LLC ("Underwriters") to purchase the Bonds pursuant to the terms of an ordinance 1 adopted by the City Council ("Supplemental Ordinance"), and 2 WHEREAS a form of the proposed Supplemental Ordinance, a copy of 3 which is on file with the Clerk of the Board, has been presented at this meeting, 4 and 5 6 WHEREAS pursuant to Tacoma City Charter Section 4.11, the Board is 7 required to initiate and approve all matters related to the incurrence of 8 indebtedness and the issuance of bonds on behalf of Tacoma Power, and then 9 forward such matters to the City Council for concurring approval, and 10 WHEREAS the Board requests that the City Council delegate authority to 11 12 the Director of Utilities and the Tacoma Power Superintendent, and their 13 designees, as provided herein, for a limited time, to approve the final terms of the 14 Bonds as set forth herein, and 15 WHEREAS the Board hereby recommends that it is in the best interest of 16 ratepayers of the Electric System that the Supplemental Ordinance be approved by 17 the Board and passed by the City Council to accomplish the purposes set forth 18 19 therein; Now, Therefore, 20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD OF THE CITY OF 21 TACOMA: 22 Sec. 1. Pursuant to Tacoma City Charter Section 4.11, it is necessary for 23 24 the Board to initiate and approve all matters related to the incurrence of 25 indebtedness and the issuance of bonds on behalf of Tacoma Power, and then 26 forward such matters to the City Council for concurring approval. The Board

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hereby finds it is in the best interest of Tacoma Power and its ratepayers that the 1 City issue one or more series of Bonds as Parity Bonds under the Master 2 Ordinance to provide funds, to be used with available funds of the City, to finance 3 and/or reimburse the City for capital improvements to the Electric System, to 4 defease and/or redeem certain Outstanding Parity Bonds, and to pay the costs of 5 6 issuance for the Bonds. The Bonds shall, following necessary approval and 7 passage by the City Council, be sold by negotiated sale to the Underwriters subject 8 to the parameters provided for in the Supplemental Ordinance. Capitalized terms 9 not otherwise defined in this resolution shall have the meanings set forth in the 10 Supplemental Ordinance. 11

12 Sec. 2. Subject to the parameters set forth in the Supplemental Ordinance, 13 including its necessary approval and passage by the City Council, the terms and 14 conditions of the proposed Supplemental Ordinance, including delegating authority 15 to the Director of Utilities and the Tacoma Power Superintendent and their 16 designees (each, a "Designated Representative"), to approve the issuance and 17 18 sale of the Bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$325,000,000, 19 are hereby approved, and selling such Bonds to the Underwriters pursuant to the 20 terms of the Supplemental Ordinance and the Bond Purchase Contract is hereby 21 approved, and the City Council is requested to concur in this approval by the 22 passage of the same at the earliest opportunity in the final form approved by the 23 24 City Attorney or such individual's designee.

Sec. 3. Upon passage of the Supplemental Ordinance, each Designated
Representative is delegated authority to approve the final terms and conditions of

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	the Bonds in coordination with Bond Counsel, the Municipal Advisor to Tacoma		
1 2	Power, and the City Attorney, or such individual's designee, subject to the terms		
	set forth in the Supplemental Ordinance, and to execute and implement the Bond		
3	Purchase Contract and any other certificates or other documents in connection		
5	therewith.		
6	Sec. 4. This resolution sha	all become effective immediately upon its	
7	adoption.		
8 9	Approved as to form:	Chair	
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11	Pacifica Law Group LLP, Bond Counsel	Secretary	
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