RESOLUTION NO. 1614

A RESOLUTION of Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County Declaring the Emergency Conditions as set forth in Resolution No. 1610 and Resolution No. 1611 to Have Ended.

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 1610, duly adopted on the 24th day of August, 2015, declared an emergency due to the wildfires burning throughout sections of Okanogan County that claimed dozens of structures and left a substantial number of customers without power. Known as the Okanogan Complex Fire, said wildfires affected sixteen distribution circuits, seven substations and one transmission line in the District's service area. The District's backbone fiber also burned in multiple locations; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 1611, duly adopted on the 24th day of September, 2015, amended Resolution No. 1610, declaring an emergency condition, by limiting the areas of emergency to the electrical transmission and broadband facilities from Malott to Twisp and the electrical distribution facilities within the boundary of the recent fires that continued to present a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of the essential functions of providing power within Okanogan County, and that would likely result in a material loss or damage to property, bodily injury, or loss of life if immediate action was not taken; and

WHEREAS, said Resolutions conferred upon the General Manager of Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County (the District) emergency powers to provide for the rendering of mutual aid amongst Public Utility Districts (PUDs) within the State and further authorized the General Manager to take all actions for all purposes set forth in RCW 38.52.070(2) to allow the District to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such disaster and to avoid time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, such powers were exercised including, but not necessarily limited to, contracting for the rendering of mutual aid amongst other Washington State PUDs, contracting for materials and supplies, and contracting with private contractors necessary to assist in rebuilding of distribution and transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners to confirm and ratify all such contracts and to declare all such contracts to be due to the above-said emergency and the findings set forth in Resolution No. 1610 and Resolution No. 1611 defining the existence of such emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, based upon the above recital of facts, the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County hereby terminates the emergency powers authorized in said Resolution No. 1610 and Resolution No. 1611 and hereby ratifies and confirms all agreements and contracts entered into pursuant to said Resolutions.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 26th day of October, 2015.

Steve Houston, President

Ernest J. Bolz, Vice President

ATTEST:

Scott Vejraska, Secretary

APPROVED as to form:

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