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PNGC Power Acquires the Coffin Butte Landfill Project

On March 31, 2015, PNGC Power purchased the Coffin Butte Landfill Project, located in Corvallis, Oregon. The seller is Power Resources Cooperative. The project generates clean, renewable power from landfill gas, which is a natural by-product of the organic matter in the neighboring regional landfill, owned by Valley Landfills, Inc. "Acquiring this project is an important step forward for PNGC Power and our members," said Dave Hagen, PNGC Power Board Chair and General Manager of Clearwater Power Company of Lewiston, Idaho. "Coffin Butte is a great resource that will produce renewable power for many years to come."

PNGC Power, based in Portland, Oregon, is an electric generation and transmission (G&T) cooperative owned by 14 Northwest electric distribution cooperative utilities with service territories in seven western states. In addition to serving the wholesale power and transmission needs of our member utilities, PNGC represents the interests of its members in various policy and legal forums.

The Coffin Butte Landfill Project began in 1995, and allowed several electric cooperatives to support renewable resources in the Northwest. Up until the end of March, PNGC Power provided operational and management expertise. Now, this resource is under PNGC ownership and belongs to PNGC's 14 electric cooperative owner-members.

The Coffin Butte Landfill Project has a capacity of 5.66 megawatts, which is roughly enough to power about 4,000 homes.

This purchase continues PNGC Power's commitment to resource ownership and renewable resources as the cooperative continues to plan for the future.