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EnergyTrust of Oregon

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Oregon's Enabling Legislation

- Late 1970's thru 2001 – Larger utilities delivered conservation programs
- 1996 – Four-state Regional Review focused on affordable energy, environmental concerns and stable funding
- 1999 – Oregon legislature adopted a public purpose charge (PPC) for two electric utilities (SBI 149)
- 2001 – Energy Trust established as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization to manage majority of public purpose funds collected
- 2003-04 – Separate public purpose charge received for residential and commercial customers of three decoupled gas utilities
- 2007 – Renewable Energy Act passage allows additional utility energy efficiency investment above PPC collection and extends mechanism through 2025

Annual Program Budgets

- 3% public purpose charge on electricity revenues from Portland General Electric and Pacific Power
- Generates total annual public purpose funds collection of \$69M
- Energy Trust received \$50.9M (~74%) in 2007
- By law, funds also distributed to:
 - Schools - \$6.9M (10%)
 - State Housing and Community Services Dept. - \$11.2M (16%)
- Also by law, Energy Trust allocates:
 - \$39.2M electric energy efficiency
 - \$11.7M renewable energy
- Separate \$10.7M collection/investment for gas efficiency
- Total 2007 annual Energy Trust budget = \$55.4M
 - Anticipate increased electric efficiency funding in 2008 and beyond

Energy Trust Program Scope

- Acquire cost effective electric efficiency for residential, commercial and industrial customers
- Pursue market transformation for electric customers
- Acquire cost effective gas efficiency for residential, commercial and certain small industrial customers
- Pay up to 100% of above market costs of renewable projects:
 - Utility scale projects through 2007, primarily large-scale wind
 - 20 MW projects or less as of 2008
 - Solar electric, smaller wind, biopower and open solicitation programs
- Utility collaboration, including integrated resource planning

Administration

- Volunteer, independent, non-stakeholder Board of Directors with ex-officio and special advisor members
- A conservation and a renewable public advisory council
- Contractual relationship with the Oregon Public Utility Commission
 - Establishes minimum performance targets
 - Requires plans, budgets, quarterly and annual reports
 - May issue a notice of concern or terminate grant agreement

Progress Toward Goals

- Saved and generated over 1.2 billion kWh of electricity
- Nearly half-way to 10-year goal of saving 300 aMW
- Saved over 4 million annual therms of natural gas
- Generated 16.8 aMW with renewables; +40 aMW online in '07
- Stimulated \$7.8 million in wages and \$1.5 million in new business income
- Created over 200 jobs
- Eliminated over 2 billion pounds of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere
 - Equivalent to planting nearly 3,500 acres of trees or removing 183,000 cars from our roads

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