

# Quarter One 2007 Report to the Oregon Public Utility Commission

January I, 2007, through March 31, 2007

This Energy Trust quarterly report covers the period January I, 2007, through March 31, 2007, the first quarter of the year (Q1). The report addresses progress toward 2007 and 2012 energy saving and renewable energy generation goals and includes corresponding costs. Also included is the number of completed projects this quarter, the amount of incentives paid during the quarter, year-to-date (YTD) cost-benefit ratios for the six largest Energy Trust programs and quarterly activity highlights.

# I. QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS

# I. General

- Approximately 12% of 2007 electric savings and 12% of gas savings were logged during the first quarter. Cumulatively, our programs have saved 126.6 average megawatts of electricity since inception.
- Preliminary gas savings for the quarter were 210,067 annual therms. To date, gas efficiency programs have saved 4.6 million annual therms of natural gas.
- Overall electric efficiency expenditures for the quarter were within 20.8% of budget. Projects completed during the quarter are expected to save 2.98 average megawatts at an estimated cost of 2.2¢ per kilowatt hour.<sup>1</sup>
- Gas expenditures for Q1 exceeded budget by 4.9% for the quarter. Projects completed during the quarter are expected to save 210,067 annual therms at a cost of 47¢ per therm.'
- Public purpose revenues were \$19,686,833 for the quarter, \$1,628,710 higher than projections. Total quarterly expenditures were \$7,993,990.

### 2. Residential efficiency programs

- During the first quarter Energy Trust incentives helped fund the purchase of 4,044 energy efficient clothes washers, installed in 1,778 homes with electric hot water and 2,266 homes with gas hot water. The premium efficiency clothes washer promotion is exceeding forecasted projection and continues to have support from all participating appliance retailers in Energy Trust territory.
- Energy efficient measures such as sealed ducts, insulation, high efficiency space heating equipment and energy efficient windows were installed in 1,539 single family homes, 442 multifamily units and 151 manufactured homes. Of these, 870 homes received electric efficiency measures and 1,236 received gas efficiency measures, with 26 sites saving both gas and electricity.
- Energy Trust incentives helped fund the construction of over 173 efficient new homes, 77 with electricity-saving measures, 10 with gas-saving measures, and 86 with both electricity- and gas-saving measures. Incentives helped purchase 30 electrically heated and 4 gas-heated new efficient manufactured homes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Levelized cost tends to be higher at the beginning of the year as we incur costs that do not yet have associated savings.

- Solar water heating systems were installed in 53 homes with electric hot water and 20 homes with gas hot water.
- The ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Homes program has added a verifier oversight specialist to help transition away from program-funded in-house verifiers to a market-driven approach in which builders hire verifiers as they would any other subcontractor. The verifier oversight specialist will provide verifier trade allies with information, resources and support to help this market segment develop.
- Builders have expressed strong interest in newly offered incentives for ENERGY STAR condominium projects and in NW ENERGY STAR Plus homes. The ENERGY STAR Plus track assists builders in meeting higher efficiency standards that qualify for NW ENERGY STAR certification and an attractive federal tax credit not available to regular ENERGY STAR homes.
- The Lights for Learning CFL fundraiser has attracted over 20 schools, congregations and other organizations contacting in the quarter, with participating schools and congregations having earned \$2,708 by promoting CFLs.
- An existing heat pump commissioning pilot was launched with selected HVAC contractors. After 300 tune-ups, a billing analysis will be conducted to verify savings assumptions.
- Home Energy Reviewers participated in solar training and are now including an assessment of solar feasibility as part of every home energy review completed in the Home Energy Solutions program.
- On March I, 2007, incentives for the existing home program changed and forms and web content was updated. Contractors participated in the process and support the new direction of paying insulation by the square footage installed instead of a flat rate. Incentives for tankless water heaters, gas fireplaces and an air sealing test were also added.

# 3. Commercial efficiency programs

- During the first quarter, high efficiency measures including energy efficient lights and HVAC equipment were installed in 130 commercial buildings, resulting in average incentive payments per site of \$1,697. Of this total, 72 buildings received electric efficiency measures, 48 buildings received gas efficiency measures, and 10 buildings saved both gas and electricity. Solar water heating systems were installed at two commercial sites.
- A total of 28 highly efficient new commercial buildings were completed this quarter, with an average incentive payment per site of \$4,034.
- In January, Energy Trust and Oregon Department of Energy hosted a direct digital control workshop for contractors to review how control projects are handled by Energy Trust and Oregon Department of Energy.
- The Energy Trust foodservice program received an ENERGY STAR Certificate of Recognition award.
- The New Buildings program released a new ENERGY STAR track to award incentives for buildings that achieve ENERGY STAR ratings of 75 or better. The new track is retroactive for buildings that completed construction and were occupied after January 1, 2005.
- A New Buildings Building Simulation Users' Group continues to attract a large contingent of analysts and engineers, providing an open forum to present and discuss ideas about energy analysis and modeling. To date, 93 people have asked to be included in the sessions.
- Energy Trust and NW Energy Efficiency Alliance (NEEA) staff will work with Legacy Emanuel Hospital to identify, pursue, and provide incentives for comprehensive energy management opportunities across the entire five-hospital system. This system-wide approach will maximize energy savings and minimize administration for both Legacy and Energy Trust.
- The NEEA Design and Construction team negotiated and developed a scope of work on a Post Occupancy Assessment of OHSU Center for Health and Healing, providing support to ZGF

Architects in conducting research on daylighting in hospital patient rooms. The study identified the most energy efficient options based on maximizing daylighting.

- NEEA Building Operations worked at the Oregon Health Sciences University to complete tuneup and diagnostic activities by Siemens in two buildings, identifying 67 opportunities and documenting \$18,000 per year of immediate savings.
- In partnership with ENERGY STAR, NEEA's BetterBricks program and Energy Trust, local education and training was provided to property owners, managers, and operators through Portland's Building Owners and Managers Association Energy Efficiency Program.

# 4. Industrial efficiency programs

- Electric energy-saving projects were completed at 43 manufacturing firms, with an average incentive payment per site of \$4,777.
- Incentive changes were made this quarter with custom incentives increasing from \$0.12/kWh to \$0.15/kWh and the minimum simple payback reset to 18 months. Lighting incentives increased consistent with the Existing Buildings program offering.
- A Small Industrial Initiative began in February focused first on dairies and horticulture nurseries, working with vendors and suppliers to identify market opportunities for efficiency services. Future focus will be on small manufacturing facilities.
- Norpac Foods extended their Continuous Energy Improvement program from one plant to all plants, companywide.
- Considerable marketing and outreach effort is underway to "fill the pipeline" for 2008 industrial projects.

# 5. Renewable energy programs

- Solar electric systems were installed in 37 homes and 10 commercial buildings during this quarter.
- Solar electric incentives for businesses were increased to support systems up to 50 kW in size in response to increasing interest in solar from the commercial sector.
- With support from Energy Trust and the City of Portland's Solar Now! Campaign, Solar Oregon conducted monthly Portland workshops to educate full-house audiences of over 100 attendees about solar energy options.
- Emerald PUD adopted Energy Trust's quality installation standards into its new solar electric incentive program design.
- The Biopower program signed agreements to share the cost of feasibility studies and related analyses with the City of Coos Bay to study biopower potential at its municipal wastewater treatment plant; with Clackamas County to study options for increasing power generation at the Kellogg or Tri City plant, or for power generation at a plant to be constructed in the future; and with Port of Morrow to study potential for bringing the dormant Heppner project back on line.
- The Biopower program signed a letter of intent with Warm Springs Biomass for a 15.8-MW woody biomass cogeneration project, and approved Energy Trust funding of the project within our utility Master Agreement.
- The Open Solicitation Program paid an incentive of \$186,910 for the 58 kW solar project on the new Oregon Health Sciences University River Campus building designed by Gerding Edlen.
- The Open Solicitation Program signed agreements to share the cost of hydropower feasibility studies with Hood River County and the Talent Irrigation District.
- In coordination with the Oregon Department of Energy, the town of Lakeview completed a hydropower feasibility study co-funded by Energy Trust. The study outlined five options for small hydropower projects and detailed the associated costs and potential energy savings for each. The town is reviewing the information and will make a decision on future action.

- A Letter of Intent was signed for the 10 MW Gordon Ridge community wind project in Sherman County.
- A team comprised of ODOE, the Community Renewable Energy Association and Tri-Axis Engineering proposed a project to the Bonneville Power Administration to develop a common monitoring and communications system for distributed energy resources. The proposal passed the initial screens and was accepted into the next round of funding competition.
- Staff continued contract negotiations with PGE on their proposed Biglow Canyon wind project.
- Pacific Power terminated negotiations with the developer for a second wind project to follow after the GoodNoe Hills projects and initiated conversations to bring another wind project to Energy Trust for funding before mid-year.

# 6. Revenues and expenditures

- \$19,686,833 in public purpose funds were received during the quarter, with expenditures at \$7,993,990.
- A total of \$2,681,237 in incentives was paid.

# 7. **OPUC** performance measures

• Performance against the following 2007 Performance Measures will be reported in the Energy Trust 2007 annual report.

|                          | Measures   |
|--------------------------|--|
| Category                 |  |
| Enormy Efficiency        | At least 20 aMW computed on 3-year rolling average                 |
| Ellergy Elliciency       | Levelized cost of not more than two cents per kWh                  |
| Natural Cas              | 700,000 therms computed on 3-year rolling average                  |
| Inatural Gas             | Levelized cost of not more than 40 cents per annual therm *        |
|                          | At least 15aMW   |
| Deneurable Energy        | At least 9 aMW from projects in utility Integrated Resource Plans  |
| Renewable Energy         | At least 3 aMW from a variety of small-scale projects              |
|                          | Both computed on 3-year rolling average                            |
| Financial Integrity      | Unqualified financial audit  |
| Administrative & Program | Keep below 11% of revenues   |
| Support Costs            |  |
| Customer Seriefentien    | Demonstrate reasonable customer satisfaction rates through program |
| Customer Satisfaction    | evaluation customer surveys; report complaint statistics           |
| Benefit/Cost Ratios      | Compare to ratios from 2006 reported in #8 below                   |

<sup>\*</sup> On March 27, 2007, the OPUC approved a new Energy Trust performance measure for natural gas savings acquisition, increasing the levelized cost per therm from 30 to 40 cents. This new measure will apply to all gas savings acquired for the calendar year 2007.

# 8. Benefit-cost ratios for 2006 (year-end data)

| Program                               | Utility system benefit-cost<br>ratio | Societal benefit-cost ratio |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| I. ENERGY STAR New Homes and Products | 2.4                                  | 2.0                         |
| 2. Home Energy Solutions              | 2.3                                  | 1.2                         |
| 3. Existing Buildings                 | 3.6                                  | 1.5                         |
| 4. New Buildings                      | 5.1                                  | 2.5                         |
| 5. Production Efficiency              | 2.6                                  | 1.3                         |
| 6. NW Energy Efficiency Alliance      | 9.0                                  | 3.3                         |

### II. TABLES

#### I. Revenues

| Source                    | Actual revenues received QI | Budgeted revenues QI |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Portland General Electric | \$8,849,309                 | \$8,076,850          |
| Pacific Power             | 5,879,969                   | 5,378,742            |
| NW Natural                | 4,505,101                   | 4,168,607            |
| Cascade Natural Gas       | 424,654                     | 406,124              |
| Avista                    | 27,800                      | 27,800               |
| Total                     | \$19,686,833                | \$18,058,123         |

#### 2. Expenditures

| Туре                       | Actual Expenditures QI | Budgeted Expenditures QI |
|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Energy Efficiency programs | \$6,489,147            | \$7,688,047              |
| Renewable Energy programs  | 889,659                | 1,393,913                |
| Administration             | 615,184                | 798,957                  |
| Total                      | \$7,993,990            | \$9,880,917              |

### 3. Incentives Paid

|       | Energy Efficiency |           |           |             |          |           | Renewable Energy |             |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------|-----------|------------------|-------------|
|       | PCE               | Pacific   | NW        | Cascade     | Avista   | PCE       | Pacific          |             |
|       | FGL               | Power     | Natural   | Natural Gas | Avista i | FGL       | Power            |             |
| QI    | \$712,752         | \$808,544 | \$548,708 | \$32,143    | \$6,181  | \$390,541 | \$182,368        | \$2,681,237 |
| Q2    |                   |           |           |             |          |           |                  |             |
| Q3    |                   |           |           |             |          |           |                  |             |
| Q4    |                   |           |           |             |          |           |                  |             |
| Total | \$712,752         | \$808,544 | \$548,708 | \$32,143    | \$6,181  | \$390,541 | \$182,368        | \$2,681,237 |

### 4. Savings and Generation

**Electric efficiency savings.** In the first quarter of 2007, energy efficiency programs saved 2.98 average megawatts, representing 9% of the 2007 year-end best case goal of 32.8 average megawatts and 12% of the conservative case goal of 24.6 average megawatts. Since March 1, 2002, these programs have cumulatively saved 126.6 average megawatts, representing 42% of Energy Trust's 2012 goal<sup>\*</sup>.

<sup>\*</sup> Savings from self-directed efficiency projects also count toward the goal of achieving 300 aMW of savings by 2012. To date, 18.9 aMW of savings have been achieved by industrial customers via self-directed funding. Together, Energy Trust achievements and self-directed savings have achieved 48% of the 2012 goal.

| Electric Efficiency Savings QI<br>2007 | PGE<br>aMW | Pacific<br>Power<br>aMW | Total<br>Savings*<br>aMW | Expenses    | mil \$ /<br>aMW | Levelized<br>Cost/kWh |
|--|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Residential                            | 1.05       | 0.81                    | 1.86                     | \$2,360,937 | 1.26            | I.6¢                  |
| Commercial                             | 0.16       | 0.21                    | 0.37                     | 1,398,293   | 3.74            | 3.7¢                  |
| Industrial                             | 0.49       | 0.26                    | 0.75                     | 1,575,660   | 2.09            | 2.7¢                  |
| Total Energy Efficiency programs       | 1.70       | 1.28                    | 2.98                     | \$5,334,890 | 1.78            | 2.2¢                  |

**Gas efficiency savings.** In the first quarter of 2007, efficiency programs saved 210,067 annual therms of natural gas, representing 12% of the conservative goal 2007 goal of 1.8 million annual therms and 9% of the best case goal of 2.4 million annual therms. Since gas programs began in 2003, cumulative savings of 4.6 million annual therms have been realized, accounting for 24% of the current 2012 goal.

| Gas Efficiency<br>Savings Q1 2007 | NWN<br>Therms | Cascade<br>Natural<br>Gas | Avista | Total<br>Savings<br>Therms | Expenses    | \$ /<br>Therm | Levelized<br>Cost/<br>Therm |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Residential                       | 124,334       | 15,268                    | 1,549  | 141,151                    | \$1,398,047 | 9.90          | 54.4¢                       |
| Commercial                        | 65,574        | 3,342                     | 0      | 68,916                     | 286,689     | 4.16          | 28.6¢                       |
| Industrial                        | 0             | 0                         | 0      | 0                          |             |               |                             |
| Total Energy Efficiency           |               |                           |        |                            |             |               |                             |
| Programs                          | 189,908       | 18,610                    | 1,549  | 210,067                    | \$1,684,736 | 8.02          | 47.0¢                       |

**Renewable energy generation.** With activity focused on individual solar electric system installations, the 2007 generation target of 114.9 average megawatts (conservative) did not change. Renewable projects under construction in 2007 are expected to generate 40.9 average megawatts, representing an additional 27% of Energy Trust's 2012 goal.

| Actual                   | PGE<br>aMW | Pacific<br>Power<br>aMW | Total<br>Generation<br>aMW* | QI 2007<br>Expenses | mil \$ /<br>a <b>MW</b> | Levelized<br>Cost/kWh |
|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Utility Scale            | 0.00       | 0.00                    | 0.00                        | \$35,789            | n/a                     | n/a                   |
| Solar Photovoltaic       | 0.02       | 0.02                    | 0.03                        | 525,535             | 16.15                   | l 2.4¢                |
| Wind                     | 0.00       | 0.00                    | 0.00                        | 81,847              | n/a                     | n/a                   |
| Open Solicitation        | 0.01       | 0.00                    | 0.01                        | 252,706             | 44.27                   | 34.3¢                 |
| Biopower                 | 0.00       | 0.00                    | 0.00                        | 78,487              | n/a                     | n/a                   |
| Total Renewable Programs | 0.02       | 0.02                    | 0.04                        | \$974,364           | 25.48                   | 19.6¢                 |

\* Totals may not add due to rounding.

|  | Total | Sites by Measures Installed |       |       |  |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|--|
| Energy Efficiency Installed Projects                   | Sitos | Electric-                   | Gas-  | Bath  |  |
|  | Siles | only                        | only  | Both  |  |
| Residential sites served                               |       |                             |       |       |  |
| Efficient New Manufactured Homes purchases             | 34    | 30                          | 0     | 4     |  |
| ENERGY STAR New Homes constructed                      | 173   | 77                          | 10    | 86    |  |
| ENERGY STAR New Homes enhancements                     | 64    | 5                           | 55    | 4     |  |
| ENERGY STAR Products appliance rebates                 | 4,044 | 1,778                       | 209   | 2,057 |  |
| Home Energy Reviews conducted                          | 917   | 456                         | 64    | 397   |  |
| Manufactured Homes refitted                            | 151   | 145                         | 6     | 0     |  |
| Multifamily units retrofitted                          | 442   | 433                         | 0     | 9     |  |
| Promotional CFLs provided                              | 650   | 650                         | 0     | 0     |  |
| Residential Solar Water Heating installations          | 73    | 53                          | 20    | 0     |  |
| Single family homes retrofitted                        | 1,539 | 292                         | 1,230 | 17    |  |
| State Home Oil Weatherization program CFL packs mailed | 226   | 226                         | 0     | 0     |  |
| Commercial sites treated                               |       |                             |       |       |  |
| Existing Buildings sites treated                       | 130   | 72                          | 48    | 10    |  |
| New Buildings sites treated                            | 28    | 26                          | I     | I     |  |
| Solar Water Heating Commercial installations           | 2     | 2                           | 0     | 0     |  |
| Industrial sites treated                               | 43    | 43                          | 0     | 0     |  |
| TOTAL EFFICIENCY                                       | 8,516 | 4,288                       | 1,643 | 2,585 |  |
| Renewable Energy Installed Projects                    |       |                             |       |       |  |
| Utility Scale projects installed                       | 0     | 0                           |       |       |  |
| Solar Electric residential installations               | 37    | 37                          |       |       |  |
| Solar Electric commercial installations                | 10    | 10                          |       |       |  |
| Wind projects installed                                | 0     | 0                           |       |       |  |
| Biopower projects installed                            | 0     | 0                           |       |       |  |
| Open Solicitation projects installed                   |       |                             |       |       |  |
| TOTAL RENEWABLES                                       | 48    | 48                          |       |       |  |

### 5. Projects completed this quarter

Table 5 and corresponding information in the narrative refer to numbers of efficiency and renewable energy projects. We define "projects" to be completed installations or services at one location ("site"), with certain exceptions:

- A Home Energy Review, with CFL installation, counts as one project. If that home subsequently installs one or more measures, this installation counts as a separate project.
- Each apartment unit treated counts as one project.
- Each manufactured home counts as one project.
- Measures installed in separate facilities within a large industrial complex count as separate projects.