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PNGC Power Selects New CEO

Portland, Oregon – December 17, 2015 – PNGC Power has selected Beth Looney, an electric cooperative executive from Kansas, as its incoming CEO. Earlier this year John Prescott, PNGC CEO since 2006, announced that he will retire in April 2016.

Ms. Looney is the Assistant General Manager at Wheatland Electric Cooperative, the largest distribution electric cooperative in Kansas. Before taking the position at Wheatland she was the Senior Manager of Power Contracts and Marketing at Sunflower Electric Power Cooperative, a Kansas generation and transmission cooperative (G&T). She currently serves as a Board Member at Sunflower representing Wheatland. She has an MBA from Kennesaw State University and a BA in Finance from Missouri State University.

Ms. Looney began her career in public power in 2005 as a power marketer at Associated Electric Cooperative, a generation cooperative serving six transmission cooperatives that, combined, serve 51 distribution cooperatives in Missouri, Oklahoma, and Iowa. She is an active participant representing Sunflower and Wheatland at the Southwest Power Pool, Kansas Electric Cooperatives (the Kansas statewide service organization), the Kansas Corporation Commission, and on numerous policy formulation committees.

“In Beth we have found the range of experience required to be successful in our business,” said Dave Hagen, PNGC Power Board Chair and General Manager of Clearwater Power Company of Lewiston, Idaho. “She has been on both the G&T and distribution sides and has experience in management, power supply and public policy. We are very excited to bring her here to the Northwest.”

“I am delighted and honored to be selected as the next CEO of PNGC,” stated Ms. Looney, who will relocate to the Portland area in early 2016 with her husband and two teenage sons. “I want to thank the Board of Directors for this great opportunity to lead the cooperative toward their vision of the future. In the coming years, PNGC will face some exciting new challenges and opportunities. I’m looking forward to working with the excellent PNGC staff to embrace those changes.”

About PNGC Power

PNGC Power is a Portland-based electric generation and transmission (G & T) cooperative owned by 14 Northwest electric distribution cooperative utilities with service territory in seven western states (Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Nevada and Wyoming). The company creates value for its member systems by providing power supply, transmission and other management services. PNGC Power is an aggregator of geographically diverse loads in the region and became the first electric cooperative in the country to receive a power marketing license from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. More information about PNGC Power can be found at www.pngcpower.com.