

RESOLUTION NO. 4106-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUALATIN OPPOSING  
THE PROPOSED MULTNOMAH COUNTY PEOPLE'S UTILITY DISTRICT

WHEREAS the proposed initiative to form a people's utility district in Multnomah County fails to take into account the interest and well being of PGE and PacifiCorp customers in other counties; and

WHEREAS a process is underway to sell PGE and there is strong interest by utility customers, community leaders and state and local officials to see the utility retained in its current form, including its valuable generating and transmission assets; and

WHEREAS separating a utility service district from generating assets deprives customers, who have paid for those assets through their rates, from the benefits of those assets; and

WHEREAS a newly formed people's utility district would qualify under federal law for preference power from the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) but inadequate power is available from BPA for current preference customers, which could result in further electricity price increases for customers, both inside and outside Multnomah County; and

WHEREAS the piecemeal acquisition of PGE service territory could thwart credible attempts by state and local officials to explore a regional, consumer-owned utility that provides demonstrable economic benefits to customers and communities; and

WHEREAS the petition to create the people's utility district excludes areas served by other PUDs, even though they are not electric utilities, which raises questions about what entity will supply their electricity service; and

WHEREAS under Oregon election law, if a majority of residents of cities within Multnomah County oppose formation of the people's utility district, they also will be excluded from its service territory.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON  
that:

The Tualatin City Council opposes the formation of a people's utility district in Multnomah County because it will have negative economic consequences for PGE and PacifiCorp customers and there are better ways to retain PGE as a complete utility, providing benefits to its customers and the communities it serves.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003.

CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON

BY 

Mayor

ATTEST:

BY 

City Recorder