

# Now You Can Support Renewable Power!



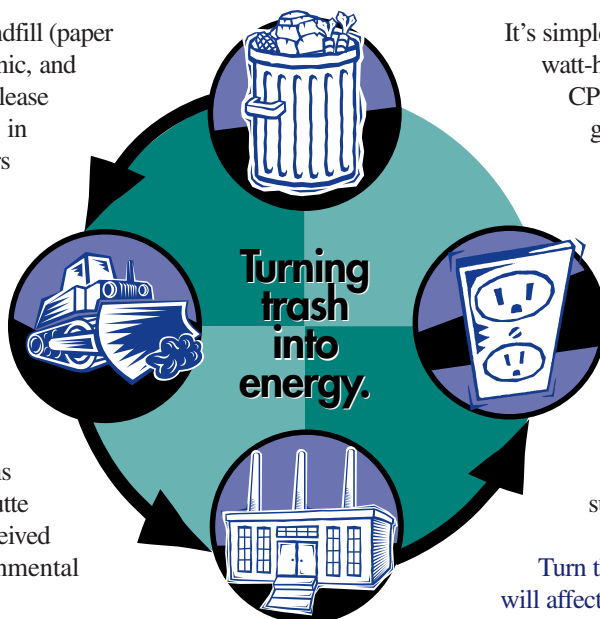
## What is Renewable Power?

Renewable power is electricity generated using a renewable resource such as solar energy, wind energy and even decomposing garbage in selected landfills. Consumers Power Inc. (CPI) and eleven other cooperatives joined forces and built just such a facility north of Corvallis called COFFIN BUTTE RESOURCE PROJECT.

## How is electricity collected from a landfill?

Here's how it works: Much of what is in a landfill (paper products, plant matter and foodstuff) is organic, and when these organic materials decay they release methane gas. Methane, the main ingredient in natural gas, is then used to power generators that produce electricity.

The three 16-cylinder generators at the Coffin Butte Resource Project near Corvallis are powered by methane collected from an adjacent landfill. Because of Coffin Butte, electricity produced from garbage is currently powering about 2,000 homes in the Northwest. Now, in conjunction with CPI, you can support current operations and promote expansion of the Coffin Butte Resource Project — an operation that has received special recognition from the Environmental Protection Agency.



## How can I purchase Renewable Power?

It's simple. Suppose you decide to purchase 100 kilowatt-hours of Renewable Power per month through CPI. Those 100 kilowatt-hours would then be generated at Coffin Butte and added to the regional power pool. Electricity from this pool, in turn, serves your electricity needs as well as those of the entire Northwest. In this way, your purchase reduces the need for power to be generated by fossil fueled plants.

To become a Renewable Power subscriber, simply complete and return the attached coupon. The monthly statement from Consumers Power will clearly reflect your support of renewable energy.

Turn this page over for more about how subscribing will affect your electric bill .....

Just clip and return this coupon.

I understand that I may support Renewable Power to whatever extent I wish, in blocks of 100 kilowatt-hours (kWh), at \$2.00 per 100 kWh. I understand that this does not affect the normal kWh rate, but is a separate charge accepted voluntarily by me to support this renewable source of energy. I agree to pay the additional amount per 100 kWh for a minimum of one year from the date below, for the amount indicated.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

I will support \_\_\_\_\_ blocks of 100 kWh at a total monthly charge of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## How will subscribing to Renewable Power affect my electric bill?

That's up to you. We've designed the program so that you can select the amount of Renewable Power you'd like.

Although renewable resources are generally more expensive than conventional power plants, electricity from Coffin Butte is less costly than other renewable resources. So, for only a few extra dollars per month, you can support operation and promote expansion of this renewable energy source. Please see the attached coupon for details on Renewable Power packages and their prices.

### Does my purchase really make a difference?

**Yes!** And here are three ways even the most modest levels of support can help.

**1 Supporting the Coffin Butte project.**

Your Renewable Power dollars support current operations of the project.

**2 Reducing use of non-renewable energy.**

Every kilowatt-hour of energy generated by Coffin Butte means one less kilowatt-hour generated by a fossil fueled plant.

**3 Promoting new development.**

Strong customer support for Renewable Power will promote expansion of Coffin Butte and serve as an incentive for other regional utilities to develop and operate new renewable resources to serve Northwest customers.



### How can I learn more?

Come see how it works! Visitors are always welcome. Just call 541-745-3812 to make arrangements for individual or group tours. Along with curious customers, we've happily hosted trips by Boy Scouts, students from local schools and even engineering students from Oregon State University. A tour is a great way to learn more about Coffin Butte and the importance of renewable resources.

#### Comparative Costs of Energy per Kilowatt-Hour

New Natural Gas Plant



Coffin Butte Resource Project



Foote Creek Rim Wind Project



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