## PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO.1 OF JEFFERSON COUNTY

## RESOLUTION NO. 2018-002

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Jefferson County, Washington ("the PUD"), amending Resolution No. 2017-002 regarding the Low-Income Customers Reduced Utility Rates policy.

WHEREAS, the PUD Board of Commissioners approved Resolution 2017-002 on or about March 7, 2017 regarding the PUD's Low Income Customer Rate Reduction Program; and

WHEREAS, RCW 74.38.070 states that PUDs may provide such services at reduced rates for senior low-income "citizens" or other low-income "citizens" as defined by a resolution adopted by the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Citizen Advisory Board recently recommended that the PUD Board of Commissioners expand the PUD low income program to low income customers whose gross household income does not exceed one hundred fifty percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines as published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, the PUD Board of Commissioners desires to approve the Citizen Advisory Board recommendation as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the PUD Board of Commissioners held a rate hearing meeting on January 29, 2018 at which the Board discussed maintaining the base rate for customers in the PUD low income program stable due to the adverse financial impact of raising the base rate and the relative low cost;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Resolution No. 2017-002 is hereby amended to define a "low income customer" as a PUD utility customer whose gross household income does not exceed one hundred fifty percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG) as published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and as verified by Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCAP) using their guidelines for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

The rate reduction for customers enrolled in the low-income program shall be set at \$39.50 unless expressly modified by the Board at a later date.

**ADOPTED** by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 1 of Jefferson County, Washington, at a regular open meeting held this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 2018.

Jeff/Randall, President

Wayne King, Vice President

ATTEST:

Ken Collins, Secretary