



**SUBSTITUTE  
RESOLUTION NO. 35122**

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BY REQUEST OF MAYOR CROWLEY

WHEREAS the City Council, Public Utility Board, and Tacoma Power staff have previously requested that Tacoma Power customers conserve electric energy, and, while most customers are complying with these requests, some customers are ignoring these requests, and

WHEREAS a situation exists that has resulted in Tacoma Power being required to pay prices for wholesale electric energy that are significantly higher than the average price that Tacoma Power's customers pay back to Tacoma Power for the electric energy they receive, which situation may ultimately require an increase in the current power surcharge, or an increase in utility rates, and create a substantial risk of substantial economic harm to the financial health of Tacoma Power, and

WHEREAS a reliable, continuous, and reasonably priced supply of electric energy is vital to the economic well-being of the community, including the residents of the City and the surrounding area served by Tacoma Power, and

WHEREAS on April 3, 2001, by Substitute Ordinance No. 26796, the Tacoma City Council adopted an Emergency Curtailment of Electric Energy Code, and

WHEREAS the City Council finds that, pursuant to the Emergency Curtailment of Electric Energy Code, the current circumstances require the



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formal declaration and implementation of an Electric Energy Emergency Alert ;

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the City Council hereby declares, pursuant to Substitute Ordinance No. 26796, effective immediately upon publication of this Resolution and effective until further resolution of the City Council, that an Electric Energy Emergency Alert exists, and directs that all Tacoma residents, and all other Tacoma Power customers, conserve and curtail their use of electricity as follows:

1. Turn off all decorative and outdoor lighting at residential property, except when necessary for security or safety purposes;
2. Turn off all outside and decorative lighting at commercial or industrial properties during daylight hours and after normal business hours, except when necessary for security or safety purposes;
3. Except for businesses operating 24 hours a day, turn off all advertising lighting, including, but not limited to, billboard signs and advertising signs, except between the hours of dusk and 2 a.m., and
4. Turn off all interior lighting (including display lighting) at, in, or for all commercial, business, or industrial buildings or facilities after normal business hours except when necessary for security or safety purposes.



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During an Electric Energy Emergency Alert, compliance with the foregoing is not required if:

1. Turning off power would cause damage to electrically powered machinery or other devices at the customer's residence or business; or
2. Due to the design or installation of machinery or other devices at the customer's residence or business it is not possible to turn off the power to that machine or device; or
3. Turning off the power would cause the customer to breach a contract that was entered prior to the announcement of an Electric Energy Emergency Alert.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to administer and seek compliance with the City's Emergency Curtailment of Electric Energy Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Public Utility Board and City Department of Public Utilities are hereby directed, by May 1, 2001, to establish a financial incentive program to afford assistance to Tacoma Power customers in



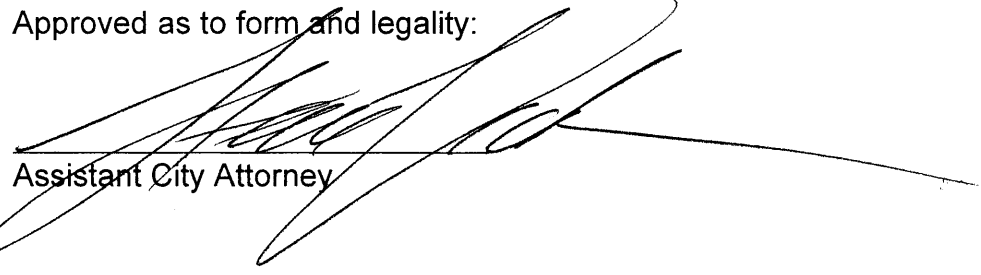
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acquiring and installing lighting and sign controls to assist them in conforming with the requirements of the declared Electric Energy Emergency Alert.

Adopted APR 03 2001

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Mayor

Attest:  
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City Clerk

Approved as to form and legality:  
  
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Assistant City Attorney