

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, we, the citizens of Tacoma, place high value on local control over community services and therefore have chosen to operate a municipally owned, locally controlled, not-for-profit electric utility; and

**WHEREAS**, Tacoma Power provides our homes, businesses, social service, and local government agencies with reliable, efficient, and cost-effective electricity employing sound business practices designed to ensure the best possible service and rates; and

**WHEREAS**, Tacoma Power is a valuable community asset that contributes to the well-being of local citizens through energy efficiency, clean renewable electrical power, customer service, environmental protection, and safety awareness; and

**WHEREAS**, Tacoma Power is a dependable and trustworthy institution whose local operation provides many consumer protections, promotes economic development, continues to make our community a better place to live and work, and contributes to protecting the global environment; and

**WHEREAS**, energy provides careers, from line worker to engineer, biologist to accountant, secretary to mechanic, laborer to executive – all valued and all essential; and we are facing a critical skilled workforce shortage to maintain the existing electrical power system, and new workers are needed to bridge the future; and

**WHEREAS**, energy is a fundamental element that is vital to the citizens of Tacoma's quality of life;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARILYN STRICKLAND**, Mayor of the City of Tacoma, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim October 5-11, 2014 as

## Public Power Week

and October 13-18, 2014 as

## Careers in Energy Week

in the City of Tacoma, and I call upon our residents to become familiar with the careers offered by Tacoma Power.



WITNESS, THEREFORE, MY HAND  
AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE  
CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON  
This 7th day of October 2014.

  
MARILYN STRICKLAND  
Mayor

