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INVESTORS TO VISIT WPPSS FACILITIES

RICHLAND -- About 60 representatives of some of the nation's largest investment institutions will arrive in Richland Tuesday, May 16, as part of a four-day tour of power and industrial facilities in Washington and Oregon.

The investors represent investment-related firms such as major national insurance companies, banks, tax-exempt bond funds, brokerage firms and bond-rating agencies.

The visit to Richland will include a tour of the Washington Public Power Supply System's nuclear power projects and the Department of Energy's Fast Flux Test Facility, all under construction on the Hanford Reservation.

It will also include a series of presentations by Supply System officials on the Supply System's organization, project construction and financing programs.

The tour will begin in Seattle May 15 where the group will be told of the Boeing Aircraft Company and its plans. They will visit Boeing's Everett facility where their 747 airliner is manufactured before flying to Richland.

The group will leave Richland Thursday morning, May 18, for Vancouver, Washington with stops at The Dalles Dam and the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) Celilo Converter Station. In Vancouver they will tour the BPA Dittmer Dispatch Center and BPA officials will brief them on the integration of Pacific Northwest power resources and future forecasts.

On Friday morning, May 19, the tour group will meet with representatives of the aluminum industry. In the afternoon, the financial analysts will visit the site of the Supply System's nuclear power projects under construction in Grays Harbor County, near Satsop, before continuing on to Seattle.

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