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Green Power Providers

In order to provide long term stability and sustainability to small-scale renewable growth in the region, TVA has created a new program that will contribute to TVA's renewable energy portfolio and encourage the continued development of distributed renewable generating sources throughout the region.

Background:

TVA's Green Power Providers program is the new long-term program that replaces the very successful Generation Partners pilot program. Generation Partners was introduced in 2003 to fund small-scale renewable projects and has been funded through revenues from TVA's Green Power Switch program. When Generation Partners projects exceeded the available funding, TVA adjusted the size of Generation Partners projects to help balance both initiatives. TVA has worked with local distributors and stakeholders to develop a new sustainable program that has more price certainty and longer contracts available to participants.

Key points:

- TVA's new Green Power Providers program contributes to TVA's expanding renewable energy portfolio and will help meet the clean energy goals outlined in TVA's vision and Integrated Resource Plan.
- Green Power Providers demonstrates TVA's commitment to small-scale renewable generation and to the growth of this resource and industry in the region.
- Among the new features of the Green Power Providers program are contract terms of 20 years with price premiums for the first ten years.
- Existing Generation Partners pilot participants may also qualify for a contract extension for an additional 10 years to be paid at retail prices.
- TVA expects the new program to be available for distributors' consideration by April 1, 2012; and TVA will continue to accept new applications under the existing Generation Partners pilot through the transition.

Other information:

- TVA is committed to continuing a sustainable program that is paid for by consumers who voluntarily participate in Green Power Switch, and TVA has worked with distributors and other key stakeholders to develop Green Power Providers.
- Key features of the new Green Power Providers program include:
 - The maximum project size will be 50 kilowatts.
 - Eligible resources in the Green Power Providers program will be solar, wind, biomass and hydro.
 - Initial incentive payments of \$1,000 are provided to participants to help offset installation costs.
 - Contract terms are being increased to a period of 20 years.
 - Eligibility is being expanded to include TVA's directly served customers.



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- Participants are paid the applicable retail rate plus a generation premium for the first 10 years of the contract. For years 11 through 20, participants are paid the applicable retail rate only.
 - Premium amounts will be reviewed and evaluated annually with plans to phase them out over time.
 - Participation will be subject to annual limits to reflect budgets, the value of renewable technologies to TVA and renewable market conditions.
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- With longer contracts and more price certainty, the program will continue to grow and promote economic growth in the region.
 - The Generation Partners pilot currently has 722 projects totaling 33 megawatts of renewable generation. An estimated 472 projects have been approved and are in various stages of completion, representing the potential for an additional 76 megawatts of generation.

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