

## Washington Public Utility Districts' Association records

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## GUIDE

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Washington Public Utility Districts Association (WAPUDA) grew out of the existing Washington Public Utility Commissioner's Association. The role of the Commissioner's Association had been to aid in the activation of local PUDs. In 1951 the purpose of the Association was redefined to address operating problems encountered by the PUDs. It also served to facilitate communication and unity in the face of the bitter attacks encountered in the legislative forums.

Ken Billington became the first executive director of WAPUDA and served from 1951 until his retirement in 1978. He remained with the Association for an additional three years as a legislative consultant, and also worked with the Public Power Council during Congressional action on the Northwest Power Planning Act.

### CONTENT

This accession is particularly strong on the history of public power in Washington State. Billington used the records in the process of writing his book *People, Politics and Power* (1988). The Historical Features series includes a chronology of the development of public utility districts in the state.

### ARRANGEMENT

These records are Ken Billington's own office files created during his tenure as Executive Director of WAPUDA. Some may duplicate records found in other WAPUDA accessions, which were general office files. For this reason, the chronological files (boxes 3-5) were not refoldered. These files were compared to the minutes series and Billington "mailings" series in Accession No. 181-10 and no duplication was found.

No attempt was made to subgroup the chronological correspondence files. Some of these letters may more properly represent Billington's activities with other organizations. Names of correspondents were entered into the CNI from the chronological files as well as the individual name folders, and may not appear in the inventory.

Billington retired from WAPUDA in 1978. Material dated beyond that time can be characterized as personal papers. The letters to the editor series has been divided between the WAPUDA records and Personal Papers at the date of Billington's retirement. No attempt was made to divide the papers in other record series or subgroups. Nearly all of the records reflect Billington's activities in the field of public power, both with WAPUDA, and later as a consultant and author.

Two folders were added to the subgroup, Citizens Committee On Washington Courts, in the summer of 1955. They were transferred from Accession No. 181-13.

### PROVENANCE

This accession of WAPUDA records was donated by Ken Billington in November of 1992. It was arranged and inventoried in April 1993. The accession measures 6 cubic feet.

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INVENTORY

<u>Box/Folders</u>		<u>Dates</u>
1	HISTORICAL FEATURES	
	OUTGOING LETTERS-Letters to Editors	1952-1978
	GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE	1953-1977
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	Cousins, Norman	1976
	Evans, Daniel J.	1969, 1975
	Hoffa, James R.	1962
	Jackson, Henry M.	
	Magnuson, Warren G	
	Maralin/Billingsly/Halsey/Stuart/WWP/Allen	
	McCormack, Mike - Thermal Plant Consultant	1970
	McGoran J.E.	1953-69
	Natt, Ted M.	1979
	Ogden/Ivancie	1978
	Price, <del>Chancey</del> <i>Chauncey</i>	
	Schwinden, Ted	1978
	MINUTES	
	Annual Meetings	1960-66
2	Oregon and Washington organizations on Columbia River Development	1957
	AGENDA - Meeting with Governor Rosellini	1957
	REPORTS	1948, 1971
	COURT PAPERS	
	SPEECHES AND WRITINGS	1954-84
	SPEECHES AND WRITINGS	
	"Wheragoeth City Light?"	
	Highlights/experiences	1971-81
	Statement before U.S. Senate	1978
	Remarks to NW Public Power Assoc.	

Box/Folders

Dates

2	RESEARCH - <u>People, Politics and Public Power</u>	1951-73
	CAMPAIGN MATERIALS - Jackson for President	1975
	LEGISLATION	
	CASE FILES	
	STATISTICS	1961
	STATISTICS - Property Tax/PUD vs. Private	1967
	SURVEY	1963-64
	PROPOSAL	
	REPORT	
	PUBLICATIONS	
	CLIPPINGS	
	EPHEMERA	
	SUBJECT SERIES	
	Anti-Public Power Activity	1959-60, 63
	BPA Option Paper	1978
	Billingsley Articles	1968
	California Interties	1959
	Claussen, Vera	1982
	Dates	
	Economic Conference- Victoria	1976
	Environmental	1976
	Erdahl, C.A. (Cliff) 5	
	An Evening with Dorothy	1972
	Federal Land Bank Assoc. at Goldendale	1966
	Fish/Spill	1977
	Hells Canyon Dam	1952-53
	Hells Canyon Lock-up	1976
	Langer Committee Investigation	1954
	Pacific NW Power Supply and Conservation Act	1977
	Pierce County	
	Public Finance Disclosure	1970
	Public Power Picnic	1965
	Regional Power Development and Regional Power Act	1976
	Samish Island Nuclear	1970

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3-5	CHRONOLOGICAL FILES	1956-82
	<u>Subgroups</u>	
6	CITIZENS' COMMITTEE ON WASHINGTON COURTS	1966-89
	SEATTLE. LIGHTING DEPT. PRODUCTIVITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE	
	PUBLIC POWER COUNCIL	
	General Correspondence	1968
	Minutes	1978
	Memorandum	1978
	Legislation	1978
	Subject Series	
	Annual Meeting	1979
	Energy News	1982
	Mayor Royer	1978
	Opposition to Regional Power Bill	1980
	Strategic Plan	1982
	<u>Sub-subgroups</u>	
	Alternative Committee	
	Get Our Act Together (G.O.A.T.)	
	WASHINGTON. GOVERNOR. SHUT DOWN HANFORD REACTORS TASK FORCE	
	WASHINGTON POWER USERS ASSOCIATION	1964
	WASHINGTON PUBLIC POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM (WPPSS)	
	General Correspondence- Arnold James	1974
	Legislation	
	Publications	
	"The Hanford Story"	1964
	"The Bond Buyer"	1984
	Clippings	

Box/Folders

Dates

6	Subject Series	
	Assessment	1978
	BPA Allocation of Plants 4 and 5	1976
	Cause and Effect	
	Fish Kill Settlement	1978
	Hanford Plant 1 - rebuild	1972
	Labor Disputes	1975
	Lawsuit - Reactors 4 and 5	
	Reorganization	1970
	Symposium, Bellingham	1982
	"White Paper"	1970

KEN BILLINGTON PERSONAL PAPERS

Biographical Features

Outgoing Letters-Letters to Editors	1982-84, 90
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General Correspondence	1978-1990
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General Correspondence

Anderson, Wilber	1991
Dicomes, Deanna	
Dillon, Matt	1990
Lee, Kai N. re. "Controversy"	1980
Associated Press- Klahn, Jim	1988
Murray, William D. (re. Luke Graham)	1988
NW Conservation Act Coalition	1984
Northwest Power Planning Council	1983
re Pacific Northwest Power Plan	1982
Robinson, Herb (Port of Seattle)	1984
Vickery, Gordon	1987

Speeches and Writings

Electric Power Symposium, remarks	1982
Dear Fellow Citizen Letter	1982
Meeting of DSI and Public Power Council, remarks	

Conferences

Lewis and Clark College. Law School. Northwest Power Act Symposium	1983
Willamette University. Corporate Management in a Regulated Society Conference	1980

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6	Subject Series	
	APPA Distinguished Service Award	1978
	BPA Allocation	1979
	Billingsly, Kirby	
	Fischer, Ed	
	Hanford	1986
	Nuclear Plant - Lewis County	
	Puget Sound Council of Governments	1978
	Regional Electric Energy Program	1978-80
	Resignation	
	Seattle City Light Forum	
	Seattle City Light (C.A.P.E.R.)	1984
	Stewart, Frank	
	Washington. Legislature. Energy Advisory Committee	1983
	Washington. Legislature. Senate. Energy and Utilities Committee	1978

Audio Cassette- remarks at the 20th anniversary celebration of Hanford  
Generating Plant