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HBPW invites public to free seminar on power supply and planning

Holland, MI, October 15, 2010 – When an electric utility examines options for meeting growing demand for electricity, what are the opportunities for using existing supplies more efficiently? That will be the topic of the one-day free seminar entitled, “Power Supply and Integrated Resource Planning: An Introduction” being sponsored by the Holland Board of Public Works (HBPW). Open to the public, the class is being presented on Monday, December 6 and Tuesday, December 7, 2010, from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

The class will feature an American Public Power Association instructor who will cover:

- A comprehensive overview of the electric utility system;
- The relationship between traditional supply resources and demand-side management resources;
- Generation sources, including fossil fuels and renewable energy sources, and their strengths, weaknesses, and environmental considerations;
- Utility-owned and operated generation, purchased power agreements, and how joint action agencies supply power for their member distribution systems;
- Components of the transmission system, and the importance of system reliability;
- The elements of an electric distribution system; and
- An introduction to how utilities can help customers manage their energy usage.

The program will be held in the Hayes Auditorium of the Herrick District Library located at 300 S. River Avenue in Holland.

Pre-registration for the class is required and space is limited. The deadline for registration is Friday, November 5, 2010. To register, contact Holland BPW Customer Service at 616/355-1500 (*Hours: 7:30 am – 5:00 pm Monday-Friday*). A workbook will be provided to all attendees.

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