

Draft Integrated Resource Plan Requirements for Electric Utilities

WAC 480-100-238 Integrated Resource Planning

Second sentence should read: **“In furtherance of that responsibility, the integrated resource plan shall include cogeneration alternatives of 10% of total new generation requirements in 2006, increasing by 10 MW increments in each year thorough 2020.”**

Note:

The above suggested language is consistent with: 1) Setting a reasonable target for CHP levels in IRP's, and in the future; 2) setting utility cogeneration rate incentives and recovery rules to meet business case, and 3) conduct market bidding until targets are reached.

Washington seeks a greater emphasis on renewables, CHP should play a significant role in the resource mix included in utility IRPs. Utility IRP's should place CHP in the category with Renewables and Distributed Generation. One specific recommendation is to include pulp & paper plant spent pulping liquor as a renewable fuel option in a priority IRP renewable CHP category to obtain the full value from this biomass byproduct of the pulping process.