EE 500E Energy & Environment Seminar

Title: *Energy Planning in the Pacific Northwest*

Speaker: *Charlie Black, Northwest Power Planning and Conservation Council (NWPPC)*

Location: *MGH 241, UW campus*

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Time and Date: *4:30 PM, Thursday, September 26, 2013*

Abstract:

The Council was authorized by Congress through the 1980 Northwest Power Act to develop a regional power plan to ensure an adequate, efficient, economical, and reliable power supply, along with a program to protect and enhance fish and wildlife affected by the hydrosystem. The Council’s planning relies on broad public participation to meet its goal of balancing the region’s energy needs with the environment.

*Charlie Black* joined the Council as its Power Planning Division Director in June 2012. With 30 years of experience in the electric and natural gas utilities industry, he has worked at and provided consulting services for utilities and other organizations throughout western North America. Charlie's areas of expertise include integrated resource planning, generating resource acquisition, market analysis and forecasting, energy risk management, portfolio hedging, transmission policy, and electric-gas system operations coordination. He has a BA in Mathematics and Economics from Western Washington University and an MA in Economics from the University of Washington.