

# Is this really the right time to raise property taxes?

Before you vote on a government takeover of Pacific Power and PGE,  
stop and consider how much it would cost you.

## **New Property Taxes**

This fall, we'll be asked to vote on forming a new layer of government to take over the reliable electric service we've already got. And this new government utility is already asking for new property taxes.

According to Multnomah County, a yes vote may cause property taxes to increase more than 3 percent. And who knows how much they'll ask for in the future.

## **We'd Pay More than \$1 Billion**

This new government owned utility would have to pay more than \$1 billion to take over the poles, wires and substations of PGE and Pacific Power. Where would they get the money? From us—the ratepayers. We'd all pay for it through higher electric rates.

## **Higher Rates?**

How high would electric rates go? No one knows.

However, the Oregon Office of Energy concluded that there is no way this new government owned utility can guarantee lower rates than what customers are already paying.

## **Less Reliable Power**

The boundary lines of this new government owned utility are poorly thought out and make no sense. They would cut the existing service territory to pieces. The new service territory could be full of holes.

It would cost millions of extra dollars to serve this fractured territory—with less reliability. Why pay more for lower quality service?

The answer is clear: Vote **NO**  **NO**  
on both Measures 26-51 & 52.  **NO**

**Stop the Costly Government Takeover.**

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