

Pricing Supplement No. 4  
Dated December 10, 1998  
(To Prospectus dated April 22,  
1998 as supplemented by the  
Prospectus Supplement dated  
April 24, 1998)

Filing under Rule 424(b)(3)  
Registration No. 333-39551

THE WASHINGTON WATER POWER COMPANY  
Medium-Term Notes, Series C

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Principal amount: \$25,000,000

Redeemable: Yes      No X  
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Original Interest Accrual Date: December 10, 1998  
Stated Maturity: December 10, 2008  
Interest Rate: 6.06%  
Interest Payment Dates: April 1 and October 1  
Regular Record Dates: March 15 and September 15

Initial Redemption Date:  
Initial Redemption Price:  
Reduction Percentage:  
Redemption Limitation Date:

Redeemable at Holder's Option: Yes      No X  
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Holder's Option Redemption Date(s):  
Redemption Price:

OID: Yes      No X  
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Total Amount of OID (%):  
Yield to Maturity (%):  
Initial Accrual  
Period OID (%):  
(Constant - Yield Method)

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Use of Proceeds:      To reduce short-term debt.

Other Provisions:      N/A

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As used herein, "N/A" means "Not Applicable".

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MORGAN STANLEY DEAN WITTER

MERRILL LYNCH & CO.

SALOMON SMITH BARNEY