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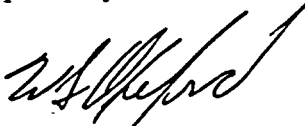
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Subject: **COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, DOCKET NO. 50-397
MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT
MARCH 2004**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is the Monthly Operating Report for the month of March 2004 as required by Technical Specification 5.6.4.

Respectfully,



WS Oxenford
Plant General Manager
Mail Drop 927M

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UNIT SHUTDOWNS

DOCKET NO.: 50-397
 UNIT NAME: Columbia Generating Station
 DATE: April 1, 2004
 COMPLETED BY: P. Campbell
 TELEPHONE: (509) 377-4664

REPORT PERIOD: March, 2004

No.	Date	Type F: Forced S: Scheduled	Duration (Hours)	Reason (1)	Method of Shutting Down (2)	Cause / Corrective Actions Comments
NA						

SUMMARY: Columbia Generating Station began and ended the month at full reactor power. On March 14, 2004, power was reduced to 75% to perform scheduled bypass valve and turbine valve testing.

(1) REASON

- | | |
|----------------------------|---|
| A - Equipment Failure | E - Operator Training & License Examination |
| B - Maintenance or Test | F - Administration |
| C - Refueling | G - Operational Error |
| D - Regulatory Restriction | H - Other |

(2) METHOD

- 1 - Manual
- 2 - Manual Trip/Scram
- 3 - Auto Trip/Scram
- 4 - Continuation
- 5 - Other (Explain)

OPERATING STATUS REPORT
for Columbia Generating Station

Date: April 1, 2004

1. Docket: 50-397
2. Reporting Period: March 2004
3. Utility Contact: Patricia Campbell (509) 377-4664
4. Design Electrical Rating (Net MW_e): 1153
5. Maximum Dependable Capacity - summer (Net MW_e): 1107

	MONTH	YEAR	CUMULATIVE
6. Hours Reactor Critical	744.0	2,184.0	129,042.5
7. Hours Generator On-Line	744.0	2,184.0	125,597.6
8. Unit Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.0	0.0	3,274.7
9. Net Electrical Energy (MWH)	830,737	2,409,549	125,277,201
