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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Subject: COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, DOCKET NO. 50-397 RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING FEBRUARY 2002, ORDER SECTION B.5.b

- References: 1) Encrypted electronic transmittal (undated), DM Williams (NRC) to WS Oxenford, "Request for Additional Information re: February 2002, Order Section B.5.b for Columbia Generating Station"
 - Letter, dated September 9, 2005, RA Gramm (NRC) to WS Oxenford, "Request for Additional Information Regarding the February, 2002 Order Section B.5.b, for Columbia Generating Station (TAC NO. MC7097)"

Dear Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith in Attachment 1 is the Energy Northwest response to a Request for Additional Information. This response provides additional information to help focus on-site inspection activities at Columbia that will be performed for B.5.b Phase 1. This additional information also provides descriptions of enhancements that have been implemented at Columbia relative to B.5.b.

There are no new commitments contained in this response.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. GV Cullen at (509) 377-6105.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on the date of this letter.

Respectfully,

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Attachment: Response to Request for Additional Information

cc: BS Mallett – NRC RIV w/o BJ Benney – NRC NRR w/o NRC Senior Resident Inspector/988C w/o RN Sherman – BPA/1399 w/o WA Horin – Winston & Strawn w/o JO Luce – EFSEC w/o