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SUBJECT: COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION - ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION ORDER EA-06-037 AND REVISIONS TO PHYSICAL SECURITY PLAN, TRAINING AND QUALIFICATION PLAN, AND SAFEGUARDS CONTINGENCY PLAN (TAC NO. MD2211)

Dear Mr. Parrish:

By letter to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) dated May 18, 2006, Energy Northwest (the licensee), submitted its revised security plans and confirmed the full implementation of Order EA-06-037 at Columbia Generating Station (Columbia). Order EA-06-037 regarded an updated adversary characteristic in the design basis threat (DBT).

The NRC staff has completed its review of the changes related to implementation of Order EA-06-037. As discussed in the enclosed safeguards evaluation (Enclosure 2), the NRC staff has determined that the licensee's changes to the security plans meet the requirements of the NRC Order and Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 73 requirements and are, therefore, acceptable. The effectiveness of these security provisions will continue to be the subject of NRC review and inspection.

Consistent with the Order, a conforming administrative change to the Renewed Facility Operating Licenses is required to ensure implementation of the Order EA-06-037 requirements.

NOTICE: Enclosure 2 contains Security-Related Information. Upon separation from Enclosure 2, this letter and Enclosure 1 are DECONTROLLED.

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Therefore, an administrative license change to Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-21 for Columbia is being made to incorporate the reference to the revised Physical Security Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan, and Training and Qualification Plan. These changes comply with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Part 1. Please replace Page 10 of the Renewed Facility Operating Licenses with the enclosed page (Enclosure 1). Enclosure 2 to this letter is designated exempt from public disclosure under 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-3733.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures:

1. Revised Page 10 of License
2. Safeguards Evaluation

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- D. Exemptions from certain requirements of Appendices G, H and J to 10 CFR Part 50, are described in the Safety Evaluation Report. These exemptions are authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security and are otherwise in the public interest. Therefore, these exemptions are hereby granted pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12. With the granting of this exemption the facility will operate, to the extent authorized herein, in conformity with the application, as amended, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission.
- E. The licensee shall fully implement and maintain in effect all provisions of the Commission-approved physical security plan, training and qualification plan, and safeguards contingency plan, including amendments made pursuant to provisions of the Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revisions to 10 CFR 73.55 (51 FR 27817 and 27822) and to the authority of 10 CFR 50.90 and 10 CFR 50.54(p). The plan, which contains Safeguards Information protected under 10 CFR 73.21, is entitled: "Columbia Generating Station Physical Security Plan, Training and Qualification Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan, and Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation Plan, Revision 3" submitted May 18, 2006.
- F. With the exception of 2.C(2) the licensee shall report any violations of the requirements contained in Section 2.C of this license within 24 hours by telephone and confirm by telegram, mailgram, or facsimile transmission to the NRC Regional Administrator, Region V, or that administrator's designee, no later than the first working day following the violation, with a written followup report within 14 days.
- G. The licensee shall notify the Commission, as soon as possible but not later than one hour, of any accident at this facility which could result in an unplanned release of quantities of fission products in excess of allowable limits for normal operation established by the Commission.
- H. The licensee shall have and maintain financial protection of such type and in such amounts as the Commission shall require in accordance with Section 170 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, to cover public liability claims.