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Dear Mr. Lesar:

As the duly elected Franklin County Board of Commissioners, we are pleased to support Energy Northwest's Columbia Generating Station license renewal application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

We recognize the valuable role Columbia plays in our regional supply of safe, affordable and reliable carbon-free energy.

Moreover, many of our citizens enjoy stable, professional working careers at Energy Northwest. Those jobs provide significant economic benefit to our county in addition to the annual power generation taxes you pay that flow back to our schools, fire departments, libraries and other local services.

In addition to our strong support of your license renewal application, we urge you to consider developing additional nuclear power generating facilities in or near Franklin County.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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cc: J.V. Parrish, Chief Executive Officer, Energy Northwest