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Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: **COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, DOCKET NO. 50-397
VOLUNTARY RESPONSE TO REGULATORY ISSUE SUMMARY
2010-08**

Reference: NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2010-08, dated June 28, 2010,
"Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations"

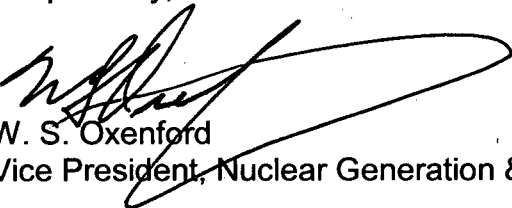
Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed the information requested by Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2010-08 referenced above. The information is provided on NRC Form 536. Specifically, the following information is provided:

- The number of examinations that Energy Northwest intends to prepare and the number of examinations we will request the NRC to prepare for calendar years 2012 through 2015.
- The number of initial license applicants to be tested and proposed and alternate dates of examination for calendar years 2012 through 2015.
- The estimated number of applicants who plan to take the GFE in calendar years 2012 and 2013.

No new regulatory commitments are made in this letter. If you have any questions, please contact P. M. Taylor, Manager, Operations Training, at (509) 377-8274.

Respectfully,



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Enclosure: NRC Form 536

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OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA

Estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary information collection request: 1 hour. This information collection is used to plan budgets and resources for operator examinations. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the Records and FOIA/Privacy Services Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by internet e-mail to infocollect@nrc.gov, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0131), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.

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NRC REGION

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>2012</u> | CY <u>2013</u> | CY <u>2014</u> | CY <u>2015</u> |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>2012</u> | CY <u>2013</u> | CY <u>2014</u> | CY <u>2015</u> |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS | 0 | 5 | 0 | 6 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT | 0 | 10 | 0 | 3 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PROPOSED DATES | | | | |
| PRIMARY DATE | | 02/04/2013 | | 02/02/2015 |
| ALTERNATE DATE | | 02/11/2013 | | 02/09/2015 |

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>2012</u> | | | | CY <u>2013</u> | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|------|-----------|----------|----------------|------|-----------|----------|
| | MARCH | JUNE | SEPTEMBER | DECEMBER | MARCH | JUNE | SEPTEMBER | DECEMBER |
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES | | | | | | | 12 | |