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10 CFR 50.75(f)(1)

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

Subject: **COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, DOCKET NO. 50-397
DECOMMISSIONING FUND STATUS REPORT**

Dear Sir or Madam:

In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.75(f)(1), Energy Northwest hereby reports the status of the Columbia Generating Station (Columbia) decommissioning funding:

- Estimated Decommissioning Cost - \$459.7 Million*
- Fund Balance as of December 31, 2010 - \$151.4 Million
- Schedule of Payments - Attached
- Assumed Cost Escalation Rate - 4% / year
- Assumed Interest Rate - 6% / year
- 10 CFR 50.75(e)(1)(v) Customer Contracts - Not Applicable
- Changes in Financial Assurance Method - None
- Material Changes to Trust Agreement - None

* The value for the estimated decommissioning cost as of June 30, 2010, does not include state costs or spent fuel management costs.

There are no commitments being made to the NRC by this letter. Should you have any questions or desire additional information regarding this matter, please contact KD Christianson, (Acting) Licensing Supervisor, at (509) 377- 4315.

Respectfully,

DW Gregoire
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Attachment: Funding Schedule

cc: NRC Region IV Regional Administrator
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Funding Schedule

Revised Exhibit D Rev 3
December 31, 2010
Contract No. 96MS95254

Fiscal Year ¹	Columbia Decommissioning ² (in thousands of dollars)		
	Payment	Interest Earned	Account Balance
FY 2010 Actuals	--	--	134,601
FY 2011	8,849	8,076	151,526
FY 2012	9,956	9,092	170,573
FY 2013	11,200	10,234	192,007
FY 2014	12,600	11,520	216,128
FY 2015	14,175	12,968	243,271
FY 2016	23,424	14,596	281,291
FY 2017	29,011	16,877	327,179
FY 2018	35,930	19,631	382,740
FY 2019	44,500	22,964	450,204
FY 2020	55,113	27,012	532,330
FY 2021	68,257	31,940	632,526
FY 2022	84,537	37,952	755,015
FY 2023	104,699	45,301	905,015
FY 2024	129,669	54,301	1,088,985

Notes:

1. The funding schedule is based on fiscal year (FY) payments and earnings. The Columbia fiscal year begins in July of the preceding year. For example, FY 2010 began July 1, 2009.
2. The Columbia Decommissioning account only reflects the funding schedule associated with radiological decommissioning required to be reported by 10 CFR 50.75. These funds are not associated with the funds set aside for addressing state costs or spent fuel management costs.