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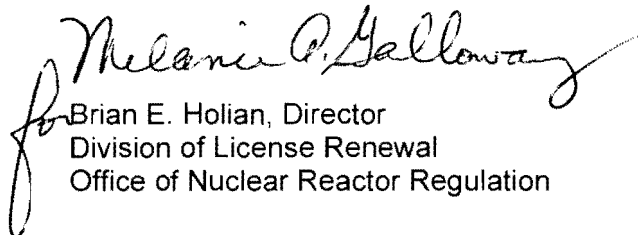
SUBJECT: SCHEDULE REVISION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE
COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION
(TAC NO. ME3121)

Dear Mr. Swank:

Enclosed is the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's revised environmental review schedule for the Columbia Generating Station license renewal application. This revised schedule was established to accommodate a timely review of your application along with all other concurrent reviews of applications for license renewal. In developing the revised schedule, the NRC staff took several factors into consideration, including additional constraints on NRC staff resources affecting the environmental review and the previously extended review for severe accident mitigation alternatives. At this time, the staff does not anticipate that this change in the environmental review schedule will have an impact on the overall license renewal review schedule for Columbia Generating Station. The NRC staff will continue to follow established review procedures and the enclosed schedule to complete the reviews required by Parts 54 and 51 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*.

If you have any questions on the revised schedule, please contact Mr. Daniel Doyle, Project Manager for the review of the Columbia Generating Station license renewal environmental review, by telephone at 301-415-3748 or by e-mail at daniel.doyle@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,


for Brian E. Holian, Director
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-397

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COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION
LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION
UPDATED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE

Milestone	Scheduled	Actual
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	1/19/10	1/20/10
Publish Federal Register Notice (FRN) – LRA availability	1/26/10	2/2/10
Publish FRN – acceptance/rejection and opportunity for hearing	3/10/10	3/11/10
Publish FRN – Intent to conduct Environmental Scoping	3/10/10	3/11/10
Public Meeting – License Renewal Overview and Environmental Scoping Meeting	4/6/10	4/6/10
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention	5/14/10	5/14/10
Environmental scoping period ends	5/14/10	5/14/10
Audit – Environmental	6/11/10	6/11/10
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	8/2011	
Public Meeting – draft SEIS meeting	9/2011	
End of draft SEIS comment period	11/2011	
Issue final SEIS	2/2012	

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