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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Public Hearing, Richland Washington

Re: Renewal of Operating License for Energy Northwest's Columbia-Generating Station

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is chartered with overseeing the technical and operational safety of US nuclear power units. This agency is respected worldwide for its work in ensuring safe designs and operation. The Columbia Generating Station of Energy Northwest is an example of those efforts resulting in sustainable, reliable, dispatchable, and economical electrical energy for regional customers.

Renewing the operating license is supported by the Eastern Washington Section of the American Nuclear Society. This essential resource ensures that the region continues an abundance of base load electrical energy. Lack of renewal would require replacement with higher cost energy sources including a mix of carbon fuel supplies which is currently unnecessary. With reliability and capacity factors for scheduled operation approaching 100%, the Columbia Generating Station is our region's best supplement to hydropower.

Therefore, we fully endorse renewal of the operating license for Columbia Generating Station

Sincerely

Gary L. Troyer
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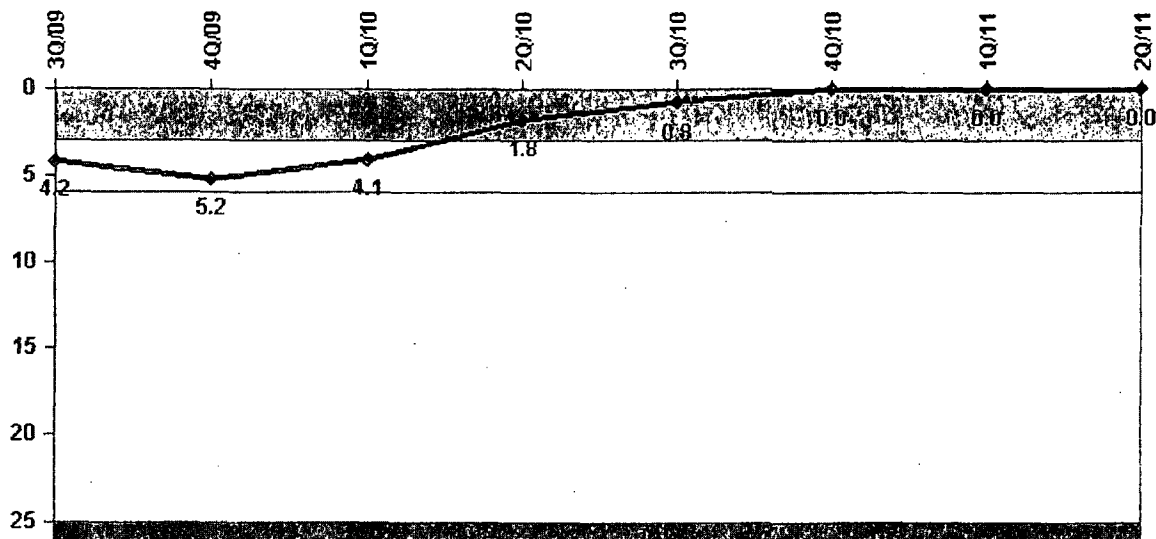


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**Columbia Generating Station
2Q/2011 Performance Indicators**

Licensee's General Comments: none

Unplanned Scrams per 7000 Critical Hrs



Thresholds: White > 3.0 Yellow > 6.0 Red > 25.0

Notes

Unplanned Scrams per 7000 Critical Hrs	3Q/09	4Q/09	1Q/10	2Q/10	3Q/10	4Q/10	1Q/11	2Q/11
Unplanned scrams	1.0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Critical hours	1518.6	2059.7	2159.0	2184.0	2208.0	2209.0	2159.0	40.6
Indicator value	4.2	5.2	4.1	1.8	0.8	0	0	0

Licensee Comments: none