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Subject: **COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, DOCKET NO. 50-397  
WITHDRAWAL OF LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR ADOPTION  
OF TSTF-493, REVISION 4, OPTION A**

- References:
- 1) Letter GO2-13-138 dated October 2, 2013, A. L. Javorik (Energy Northwest) to NRC, "License Amendment Request for Adoption of TSTF-493, Revision 4, Option A"
  - 2) Letter dated April 30, 2014, C. F. Lyon (NRC) to M. E. Reddemann (Energy Northwest), "Columbia Generating Station - Request for Additional Information related to License Amendment Request to Adopt TSTF-493, Revision 4, Option A (TAC No. MF2863)"
  - 3) Letter GO2-14-103 dated June 19, 2014, A. L. Javorik (Energy Northwest) to NRC, "Proposed Revision to License Amendment Request to Adopt TSTF-493, Revision 4, Option A, and Response to Request for Additional Information"
  - 4) E-mail dated October 9, 2014, A. E. George (NRC) to L. L. Williams (Energy Northwest), "FW: TSTF-493 request"
  - 5) Letter GO2-14-164 dated November 17, 2014, A. L. Javorik (Energy Northwest) to NRC, "Response to NRC Request for Additional Information related to License Amendment Request for Adoption of TSTF-493, Revision 4, Option A"

Dear Sir or Madam:

In Reference 1, Energy Northwest submitted a License Amendment Request (LAR) to adopt TSTF-493, Revision 4, Option A. In References 2 and 4, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requested additional information in order to complete the review. Energy Northwest submitted responses to the NRC requests via References 3 and 5.

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After further consideration, following discussion with NRC staff, Energy Northwest respectfully withdraws the proposed LAR. As discussed at the November 13, 2014, meeting between NRC and the Technical Specification Task Force (TSTF) (ADAMS Accession No. ML14307A869), the TSTF is planning to clarify the intent of the terminology "change to a setpoint value." This may result in a potential revision to the traveler and the associated model application and model Safety Evaluation for TSTF-493 Option A. The TSTF is also planning to work with NRC on the required content of license applications proposing to adopt Option B of TSTF-493. Option B adds a new program to the Administrative Controls section of the Technical Specifications titled the Setpoint Control Program and allows the relocation of instrument Allowable Values from the Technical Specifications to licensee control. Energy Northwest plans to monitor the status of these activities in order to determine the best option to pursue in the future.

No new regulatory commitments are being made in this submittal.

Should you have any questions or require additional information regarding this matter, please contact Ms. L. L. Williams, Licensing Supervisor, at (509)377-8148.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 8, 2014.

Respectfully,

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