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SUBJECT: COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL
STORAGE INSTALLATION NRC SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT
05000397/2018401 AND 07200035/2018401

Dear Mr. Sawatzke:

On March 1, 2018, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security inspection at your Columbia Generating Station, Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation. The NRC inspector discussed the results of this inspection with Mr. D. Gregoire, Manager Regulatory Affairs and Performance Improvement, and other members of your staff. The inspector documented the results of this inspection in the enclosed inspection report.

The inspector identified two violations of NRC requirements that were determined to be Severity Level IV non-cited violations under the traditional enforcement process.

If you contest the non-cited violations you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region IV; and the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory "Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and the NRC Resident Inspectors at Columbia Generating Station.

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10 CFR 2.390” (d)(1) and follow the instructions for withholding in 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1). The NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii).

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Division Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 50-397 and 72-035
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Nonpublic Enclosures:

1. NRC Inspection Report 05000397/2018401
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