

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION IV
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September 4, 2018

Mr. Brad Sawatzke, Chief Executive Officer Energy Northwest MD 1023 P.O. Box 968 Richland, WA 99352

SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF INVESTIGATION (OI 4-2017-032)

Dear Mr. Sawatzke:

This refers to an investigation conducted by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Office of Investigations regarding activities at the Columbia Generating Station. The Office of Investigations initiated the investigation to determine whether an electrician supervisor, at Energy Northwest's Columbia Generating Station (CGS), Richland, Washington, deliberately failed to report a fitness for duty matter.

Based on the evidence developed during the investigation, the concern that an electrician supervisor at CGS deliberately failed to report a fitness for duty matter was not substantiated. The NRC plans no further action related to the alleged wrongdoing and considers this investigation closed.

You should note that final NRC documents may be made available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act subject to redaction of information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. Requests under the Freedom of Information Act should be made in accordance with 10 CFR 9.23, Requests for Records. Information is accessible from the NRC's website at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/foia/foia-request.html#how.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC website at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html.

Sincerely,

G. Michael Vasquez, Team Leader

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Allegation Coordination and Enforcement Staff

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