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Subject: **COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, DOCKET NO. 50-397
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION**

- References:
- 1) Letter, GO2-10-11, dated January 19, 2010, WS Oxenford (Energy Northwest) to NRC, "License Renewal Application"
 - 2) Letter dated May 24, 2011, NRC to DA Swank (Energy Northwest), "Request for Additional Information for the Review of the Columbia Generating Station, License Renewal Application," (ADAMS Accession No. ML11138A323)
 - 3) Letter dated June 23, 2011, DA Swank (Energy Northwest) to NRC, "Response to Request for Additional Information License Renewal Application," (GO2-11-112)
 - 4) Letter dated July 11, 2011, DA Swank (Energy Northwest) to NRC, "Response to Request for Additional Information License Renewal Application," (GO2-11-117)

Dear Sir or Madam:

By Reference 1, Energy Northwest requested the renewal of the Columbia Generating Station (Columbia) operating license. Via Reference 2, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requested additional information related to the Energy Northwest submittal. In Reference 3, Energy Northwest responded to Reference 2. Following conversations with Mr. Arthur Cunanan, NRC License Renewal Project Manager, and other NRC staff members, Energy Northwest decided to revise the response to RAI B.1.4-1 provided in Reference 3. Following further conversations with Mr. Arthur Cunanan, NRC License Renewal Project Manager, and other NRC staff members, Energy Northwest decided to further revise the response to RAI B.1.4-1 provided in Reference 4.

Enclosure 1 contains Amendment 41 to the Columbia License Renewal Application.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Abbas Mostala at (509) 377-4197.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on the date of this letter.

Respectfully,



DA Swank

Acting Vice President, Engineering

Enclosure: License Renewal Application Amendment 41

cc: NRC Region IV Administrator
NRC NRR Project Manager
NRC Senior Resident Inspector/988C
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A.2.1	A-8a	Revised RAI B.1.4-1

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~~Internal and external operating experience is reviewed in accordance with the OQAPD. The review assures the existing, new, and any future required aging management programs necessary to provide reasonable assurance that components within the scope of license renewal will continue to perform their intended functions consistent with the current licensing basis (CLB) for the period of extended operation.~~

↑ The existing Corrective Action Program and the Operating Experience Program ensure, through the continual review of both plant-specific and industry operating experience, that the license renewal aging management programs are effective to manage the aging effects for which they are credited. The aging management programs are either enhanced or new programs are developed when the review of operating experience indicates that the aging management programs may not be effective. For each aging management program listed in this section, operating experience is reviewed on a continuing basis.