

July 6, 2012

Dr. J. Sam Armijo, Chairman
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

SUBJECT: REPORT ON THE SAFETY ASPECTS OF THE LICENSE RENEWAL
APPLICATION FOR THE COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION

Dear Dr. Armijo:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) letter dated April 24, 2012, in which the ACRS discussed completion of its review of the license renewal application for the Columbia Generating Station and recommended its renewal. The Commission appreciates the ACRS' thorough review of the plant's license renewal application and the associated final safety evaluation report prepared by the NRC staff. Ultimately, the NRC renewed the Columbia Generating Station license on May 22, 2012. The Commission thanks the ACRS for your continued commitment to safety.

Sincerely,

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Gregory B. Jaczko

cc: Commissioner Svinicki
Commissioner Apostolakis
Commissioner Magwood
Commissioner Ostendorff
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