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Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Subject: **COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION
INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION,
DOCKET NO. 72-35; 2016 ANNUAL EFFLUENT RELEASE REPORT**

Dear Sir or Madam:

In accordance with 10 CFR 72.44(d)(3), Energy Northwest hereby submits the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) Annual Effluent Release Report for calendar year 2016.

By design, the seal welded storage canister of the Holtec International Corporation's HI-STORM Cask System used at Columbia Generating Station does not have any radioactive material effluents. The seal welded storage system design provides assurance that there are no radioactive effluent release pathways from the storage casks.

This letter documents that there were no radioactive effluents discharged or released from the Columbia Generating Station ISFSI and, therefore, there is no ISFSI-specific data to report for calendar year 2016.

There are no commitments being made to the NRC by this letter. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. D. M. Wolfgramm, Regulatory Compliance Supervisor, at (509) 377-4792.

Executed this 21st day of February, 2017

Respectfully,

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