RESOLUTION NO. 252

WHEREAS, The Site Certification Agreement for the Washington Public Power Supply System Nuclear Projects Nos. 3 and 5 contains provisions for the protection, replacement and/or compensation of wildlife, fish or other aquatic life, ecosystem, recreational opportunities or vegetation; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 248, dated August 28, 1989, the Council approved an Interim Agreement between the Washington Department of Wildlife and Supply System that specified timber management and wildlife mitigation commitments for the site and authorized selective timber harvesting in four management units; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 250, dated May 14, 1990, the Council approved a Forest Practices Application to construct forest roads for access to future timber harvest units (including Units 1 and 6); and

WHEREAS, By letter GO3-90-073/G05-90-052 dated May 17, 1990 the Supply System submitted a Forest Practices Application (attached) for the proposed selective harvesting of timber on Timber Management Units 1 and 6; and

WHEREAS, The Certificate Compliance Committee has reviewed the Supply System's application and comments received from the Department of Wildlife and Department of Natural Resources and finds that the proposed timber harvest is consistent with the state's wildlife and forestry interests at this time; and

WHEREAS, The Council assumes the lead for processing Forest Practices applications submitted by certificate holders pursuant to its regulatory responsibilities for major energy facilities as set forth in Chapter 80.50 RCW generally, and specifically in RCW 80.50.110 and 120;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council hereby approves the timber harvest proposed by the Supply System in its Forest Practices Application dated May 17, 1990 subject to the following conditions:

1. The Supply System is authorized to selectively harvest timber from Timber Management Units 1 and 6 at the WNP-3/5 site;

2. Harvesting practices, consistent with the Forest Practices rules and regulations and as determined by the Department of Natural Resources and other resource agencies and those specified in the application, will be met by the Supply System and its contractors. Notwithstanding the above, the Council applies the following conditions to the timber harvest:
   a. Ground-based skidding equipment is not allowed on slopes greater than 30% (WAC 222-30-070(8));
b. Skid trails used by ground skidding equipment are to be water barred every 10 feet of elevation change to prevent soil erosion (WAC 222-30-070(7));

3. The following timber management objectives will be met by the Supply System and its contractors in the two units scheduled for harvesting beginning July 1990 and ending in the Fall of 1990:

   a. Remove approximately 30 percent of the volume in the two units;
   
   b. Examine possibility of using static skylines to do selective logging in areas where slope, terrain and/or soil need protection; and
   
   c. For snag recruitment, blowing of tops is preferable to girdling. It is desirable to have an average of two snags per acre in riparian areas. Snag and riparian management will be consistent with the 1989 harvest practices.

4. The harvesting operation will be done in accordance with the mitigation and property management commitments contained in the Satsop Power Plant Site Wildlife Mitigation Plan, Revision O, dated May 29, 1990.

5. The Supply System will report monthly to the Council on harvesting activities.

Dated this 9th day of July 1990.

WASHINGTON STATE ENERGY FACILITY
SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

By

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ATTACHMENT: Supply System Forest Practices Application, dated May 17, 1990