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September 13, 2019

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Subject: Columbia Generating Station, Energy Northwest (EN)  
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. WA002515-1  
Extension of NPDES Permit

Dear Ms. Khounnala:

Thank you for submitting an application form for the renewal of the NPDES permit WA002515-1, received by this office on April 30, 2019. The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) and the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed the application and requested additional information on June 10, 2019. Additional information was received, and EFSEC considers the application sufficient for renewal of your permit as of August 6, 2019.

We are in the process of renewing the permit; however, the renewal permit will not be issued by the expiration date of the current permit on October 31, 2019. Energy Northwest's Columbia Generating Station's NPDES permit has been administratively extended effective as of the permit's expiration date, October 31, 2019. This extension allows for continued discharge as indicated under the existing permit issued September 30, 2014 including Amendment #1 dated February 8, 2016 and Amendment #2 dated March 19, 2019.

In accordance with the Washington State Administrative Procedures Act, RCW 34.05.422(3) and Washington Administrative Code 463-76-061(4), Energy Northwest's Columbia Generating Station's permit and the terms and conditions thereof remain in effect and enforceable until the effective date of a new permit. Please continue to comply with all requirements of your existing NPDES permit and any temporary permit provisions associated with the renewal application accepted on August 6, 2019. Energy Northwest will have an opportunity to review the proposed permit prior to issuance by EFSEC.

Please contact Amy Moon at (360) 664-1362 or by email at [amy.moon@utc.wa.gov](mailto:amy.moon@utc.wa.gov) if you have any questions about the permit extension or the permit process.

Shannon Khounnala  
September 13, 2019

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M.E. Burgos". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Certified Mail

cc: Nikki Babad, EN  
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