



# Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council AGENDA

**MONTHLY MEETING**  
Tuesday, October 16, 2018  
**1:30 PM**

1300 S Evergreen Park Drive SW  
Olympia, WA 98504  
Meeting Room 206

- 1. Call to Order ..... Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair
- 2. Roll Call ..... Tammy Mastro, EFSEC Staff
- 3. Proposed Agenda ..... Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair
- 4. Minutes **Meeting Minutes**..... Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair
  - September 18, 2018
- 5. Projects
  - a. **Kittitas Valley Wind Project**
    - Operational Updates..... Eric Melbardis, EDP Renewables
  - b. **Wild Horse Wind Power Project**
    - Operational Updates..... Jennifer Diaz, Puget Sound Energy
  - c. **Grays Harbor Energy Center**
    - Operational Updates..... Chris Sherin, Grays Harbor Energy
  - d. **Columbia Generating Station**
    - Operational Updates..... Mary Ramos, Energy Northwest
  - e. **WNP – 1/4**
    - Non-Operational Updates..... Mary Ramos, Energy Northwest
  - f. **Chehalis Generation Facility**
    - Operational Updates..... Mark Miller, Chehalis Generation
  - g. **Columbia Solar Project**
    - Project Updates..... Ami Kidder, EFSEC Staff
  - h. **Desert Claim**
    - Project Updates..... Amy Moon, EFSEC Staff
- 6. Other
  - a. **EFSEC Council**
    - 2nd Quarter Cost Allocation..... Stephen Posner, EFSEC Staff
    - Manager Updates..... Stephen Posner, EFSEC Staff
- 7. Adjourn..... Kathleen Drew, EFSEC Chair

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1 OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON; SEPTEMBER 18, 2018  
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5 P R O C E E D I N G S  
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7 CHAIR DREW: Good afternoon. This is  
8 Kathleen Drew, chair of the EFSEC Council. We now will  
9 call this meeting to order. Before we call the roll, I  
10 would like to say that our representative from the UTC,  
11 Marguerite Friedlander, accepted another job, and we  
12 don't yet have a replacement. So there will be no one  
13 representing the UTC at this meeting.  
14 With that, Ms. Mastro, will you please call  
15 the roll?  
16 MS. MASTRO: Department of Commerce?  
17 MR. ROSSMAN: Jaime Rossman is here.  
18 MS. MASTRO: Department of Ecology?  
19 MR. STEPHENSON: Cullen Stephenson, here.  
20 MS. MASTRO: Department of Fish and  
21 Wildlife?  
22 MR. LIVINGSTON: Mike Livingston with Fish  
23 and Wildlife, on the phone.  
24 MS. MASTRO: Department of Natural  
25 Resources?  
MR. SIEMANN: Dan Siemann is here.

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1 A P P E A R A N C E S  
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3 Councilmembers:  
4 KATHLEEN DREW, Chair  
5 JAIME ROSSMAN, Department of Commerce  
6 CULLEN STEPHENSON, Department of Ecology  
7 MIKE LIVINGSTON, Department of Fish & Wildlife (via  
8 phone)  
9 DAN SIEMANN, Department of Natural Resources  
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11 Assistant Attorney General:  
12 ANN ESSKO  
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14 Council Staff:  
15 STEPHEN POSNER  
16 SONIA BUMPUS  
17 TAMMY MASTRO  
18 AMI KIDDER  
19 AMY MOON  
20 PATTY BETTS  
21 CHRISTINA POTIS  
22 JOAN AITKEN  
23 STEW HENDERSON  
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25 In Attendance:  
26 MARY RAMOS, Energy Northwest (via phone)  
27 KARA WARNER, Golder Associates (via phone)  
28 JENNIFER DIAZ, PSE Wild Horse (via phone)  
29 ERIC MELBARDIS, Kittitas Valley (via phone)  
30 TIM MCMAHON, Steel Rives (Via phone)  
31 KAREN MCGAFFEY, Perkins Cole  
32 BILL SHERMAN, Counsel for The Environment  
33 JASON EVANS, TUUSSO Energy  
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1 MS. MASTRO: Chair, there is a quorum for  
2 the EFSEC Council.  
3 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.  
4 Now we will move on to the proposed agenda.  
5 Is -- are there any questions, additions? If not, can I  
6 have a motion to adopt the agenda?  
7 MR. STEPHENSON: I will so move.  
8 MR. SIEMANN: And I'll second.  
9 CHAIR DREW: All those in favor?  
10 COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.  
11 CHAIR DREW: Agenda's adopted.  
12 Moving on to the meeting minutes. I have a  
13 couple changes. On page 15, on line 4, after  
14 Environmental Protection it should say "Unit," and on  
15 line 7, it should say "the proposal to open up oil  
16 explorations." So I would suggest those changes. Are  
17 there any other changes that anyone sees in the minutes  
18 that we need to make? Okay. If not, how about a motion  
19 to approve the minutes as amended?  
20 MR. ROSSMAN: So moved.  
21 MR. STEPHENSON: I will second.  
22 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.  
23 All in favor?  
24 COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.  
25 CHAIR DREW: Opposed? Minutes are adopted

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1 as amended.  
 2 Okay. Now we will move on to our project  
 3 reports. Oh, before we move on, I would like to ask if  
 4 there is anyone on the phone who would like to identify  
 5 themselves at this point.  
 6 MS. RAMOS: Mary Ramos --  
 7 MS. WARNER: Hi, this is Kara Warner. I'm  
 8 with Golder Associates.  
 9 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Then I heard Mary there?  
 10 MS. RAMOS: Yes, Mary Ramos for Energy  
 11 Northwest. Thank you.  
 12 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.  
 13 MS. DIAZ: Jennifer Diaz, Puget --  
 14 CHAIR DREW: I believe that was Jennifer  
 15 Diaz, Puget Sound Energy. Someone came into the call  
 16 and so we didn't hear --  
 17 MS. DIAZ: That's correct. Thank you.  
 18 CHAIR DREW: Yes.  
 19 MR. MELBARDIS: Eric Melbardis, EDP  
 20 Renewables.  
 21 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you, Eric.  
 22 MR. MCMAHON: Tim McMahon, Stoel Rives.  
 23 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Okay. Then we will move  
 24 on now to the project updates starting with Kittitas  
 25 Valley Wind Project. Mr. Melbardis, on the phone.

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1 MR. MELBARDIS: Good afternoon, Chair Drew,  
 2 EFSEC Council and Staff. This is Eric Melbardis with  
 3 EDP Renewables for the Kittitas Valley Wind Power  
 4 Project. Month of August was strong production, and I  
 5 have nothing nonroutine to report.  
 6 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.  
 7 Wild Horse Wind Power Project, Ms. Diaz?  
 8 MS. DIAZ: Yes, thank you, Chair Drew and  
 9 Councilmembers. For the record, Jennifer Diaz with  
 10 Puget Sound Energy at the Wild Horse Wind Facility. And  
 11 I also have nothing nonroutine to report for the month  
 12 of August.  
 13 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.  
 14 Moving on to Grays Harbor Energy Center.  
 15 Chris Sherin is unable to be with us either in person or  
 16 on the call due to schedule, but Ms. Ami Kidder of EFSEC  
 17 Staff is going to talk about their update.  
 18 You're on.  
 19 MS. KIDDER: Good afternoon, Chair Drew and  
 20 Councilmembers. For the record, my name is Ami Kidder,  
 21 and as Chair Drew mentioned, Mr. Sherin was unavailable  
 22 to attend this month's Council meeting. The facility  
 23 report can be found in your packet on the purple sheet.  
 24 There was nothing nonroutine to report for  
 25 this period, though I would like to expand on one of the

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1 items presented in the update. Item 2.2 refers to a  
 2 change in the air sample analysis for sulfur. The  
 3 facility was notified that the lab performing the  
 4 analysis on their routine samples would no longer be  
 5 performing the analysis by the ASTM D-3246 Method, and  
 6 the lab wanted approval for switching to the ASTM D-6667  
 7 or if -- or they wanted to know if a subcontracted lab  
 8 should be used to continue using the previous method.  
 9 The facility contacted EFSEC and ORCAA, which is the  
 10 Olympic Region Clean Air Agency, for guidance on this.  
 11 The facility Prevention of Significant  
 12 Deterioration Permit that the Council approved on July  
 13 12th contains a provision that EFSEC be notified of  
 14 these changes. EFSEC consulted with ORCAA, and as both  
 15 are approved methods within 40 CFR 75, Appendix D for  
 16 sulfur content determination, neither ORCAA nor EFSEC  
 17 have any concerns with this change going forward, and no  
 18 changes are needed to the PSD for this sampling method  
 19 change.  
 20 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.  
 21 Are there questions?  
 22 Okay. Thank you.  
 23 Moving on to Columbia Generating Station.  
 24 Ms. Ramos?  
 25 MS. RAMOS: Hi, thank you, Chair Drew. This

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1 is Mary Ramos for Energy Northwest. Columbia Generating  
 2 Station is online at 100 percent power. On August 28th,  
 3 Energy Northwest received a copy of the Water Compliance  
 4 Inspection Report for the NPDES inspection that was  
 5 conducted at Columbia on July 25 of this year. There  
 6 were no major deficiencies noted on the report, and  
 7 there are no other nonroutine items to report for  
 8 Columbia Generating Station.  
 9 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you. And for WNP  
 10 1/4?  
 11 MS. RAMOS: There are also no nonroutine  
 12 items to report for WNP 1/4. Thank you.  
 13 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.  
 14 Moving on to the Chehalis Generation  
 15 Facility, Mr. Miller?  
 16 MS. KIDDER: Mr. Miller is also unable to  
 17 attend today's meeting. The Facility update can be  
 18 found in your packet on the blue sheet, and there was  
 19 nothing nonroutine to report for this period.  
 20 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.  
 21 Moving on to the Desert Claim Project  
 22 update, and that is Ms. Moon?  
 23 MS. MOON: Good afternoon. Now it's on.  
 24 Good afternoon, Council, Chair Drew, and Councilmembers.  
 25 As stated, I'm Amy Moon and will be providing a project

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<p>1 update on Desert Claim.                  2 Initially, when EFSEC received the proposed                  3 Desert Claim Site Certification Agreement, or the SCA                  4 amendment, Staff mentioned to the Council that the                  5 proposal was subject to SEPA, which is per WAC 197-11,                  6 which as you know EFSEC promulgated into WAC 463-47.                  7 We previously discussed that EFSEC Staff                  8 would evaluate the proposed amendments to the SCA to                  9 determine if there are any substantial changes or new                  10 information that was likely to have significant adverse                  11 environmental impacts.                  12 Staff further explained that development of                  13 a new SEPA threshold determination or preparation of a                  14 SEPA addendum to the existing SEPA document would be                  15 required. As the SEPA review progressed, we determined                  16 that preparing an addendum to the final supplemental                  17 Environmental Impact Statement is appropriate. As we                  18 are now wrapping up our SEPA review, we would like to                  19 share with the Council what the addendum will cover.                  20 Potential impacts and mitigation measures                  21 will be discussed, and this includes new analysis such                  22 as visual effects assessment conducted by EFSEC's                  23 independent consultant. This was done in part because                  24 the total number of turbines have decreased in the                  25 amendment, and the proposed turbines are taller than</p>	<p>1 want to say something, Ms. Bumpus?                  2 MS. BUMPUS: Just to echo what Ms. Moon                  3 said, that we wanted to make sure the Council's aware                  4 that you have the discretion to seek additional public                  5 input.                  6 CHAIR DREW: Okay. So from what I am                  7 hearing, as we've gone through the analysis based on                  8 what we heard in April, was that when we had a public                  9 hearing, March or April? Anyway --                  10 MS. MOON: Yes, it was in April.                  11 MS. BUMPUS: Yes, April.                  12 CHAIR DREW: -- earlier this year, and we                  13 received the comments from the public, we've taken                  14 those, and we've examined those to see what potential                  15 environmental impacts are from the change in the                  16 amendment?                  17 MS. BUMPUS: Correct.                  18 CHAIR DREW: Not going back to what the                  19 original project was, but looking at the difference in                  20 the project between what was approved and what the                  21 changes are?                  22 MS. BUMPUS: Correct.                  23 CHAIR DREW: And although you're not                  24 completed, you're far enough along to say that at this                  25 point, you don't see that there are going to be</p>
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<p>1 what is in the current SCA.                  2 The proposed SCA amendment includes impacts                  3 to wetlands, whereas no wetland impacts were included in                  4 the approved SCA. EFSEC Staff met with an Ecology                  5 wetlands scientist in the field to get a better                  6 understanding of the potential wetland impacts as well                  7 as the proposed wetland mitigation site. The addenda                  8 also discusses potential impacts from transportation                  9 noise and shadow flicker.                  10 The addenda is in draft form at this time,                  11 and we are working to finalize the document, which                  12 involves evaluating mitigation measures. At this point,                  13 we don't see any impacts that have the potential to be                  14 significant. Does the Council have any questions at                  15 this time?                  16 CHAIR DREW: Are there questions from                  17 Councilmembers? No.                  18 MS. MOON: So at this time, Staff would like                  19 to note that unlike a threshold determination, a SEPA                  20 addendum is not required to go through public comment,                  21 but EFSEC's SCA amendment rules give the Council                  22 discretion to gather public input. And we just wanted                  23 to make sure that the Council is aware of this while we                  24 work to finalize the SEPA addendum.                  25 CHAIR DREW: So if I can -- did you also</p>	<p>1 significant impacts from the amendment change?                  2 MS. BUMPUS: Correct.                  3 CHAIR DREW: And the next steps would be for                  4 the Staff, with our consultant, to complete the                  5 addendum?                  6 MS. BUMPUS: Yes.                  7 CHAIR DREW: And we're not required to put                  8 it out for public comment, but that will include                  9 mitigation measures?                  10 MS. BUMPUS: That's right.                  11 CHAIR DREW: I think it would be appropriate                  12 to give a written comment period on this. What do other                  13 Councilmembers think?                  14 MR. ROSSMAN: Are you meaning after it's                  15 released --                  16 CHAIR DREW: Yes.                  17 MR. ROSSMAN: -- for comment? That makes                  18 sense to me.                  19 CHAIR DREW: Yes, so it will be finished by                  20 the Staff and, again, our SEPA-responsible official is                  21 our EFSEC manager.                  22 Excuse me, Council is having a conversation                  23 here, if you don't mind.                  24 So --                  25 MS. BUMPUS: Chair Drew, I just wanted to</p>

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1 add that I think one reason we raised this is to inform  
 2 the Council of the discretion that you have in your SCA  
 3 amendment rules. It's also raised because initially we  
 4 talked quite a bit about a SEPA threshold determination  
 5 for the SCA amendment. And in the SEPA rules, you  
 6 can -- you can put a threshold determination out for  
 7 public comment. This is what we did with the Columbia  
 8 Solar Project as you recall. And -- but with an  
 9 addendum, there is no requirement in SEPA to seek public  
 10 input.  
 11 And so it's sort of in -- in doing an  
 12 addendum, we are sort of deviating from what we had been  
 13 thinking we would probably do when we first started  
 14 looking at the SCA amendment. So I just wanted to raise  
 15 that that's the other reason we -- we mentioned this.  
 16 CHAIR DREW: Ms. Essko, can I ask, is there  
 17 any prohibition to having -- putting it out for public  
 18 comment?  
 19 MS. ESSKO: Not that I'm aware of, no.  
 20 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Yes. I -- I want to  
 21 hear what Councilmembers think too. So...  
 22 MR. STEPHENSON: So, Chair Drew, this is  
 23 Cullen Stephenson from Ecology. I support your -- your  
 24 desire to have public input on this. This seems like a  
 25 good thing to do.

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1 MR. SIEMANN: I agree.  
 2 CHAIR DREW: Okay.  
 3 MR. ROSSMAN: This is Jaime from Commerce.  
 4 I agree and I think the appropriate time is once those  
 5 mitigation measures have been identified --  
 6 CHAIR DREW: Yes.  
 7 MR. ROSSMAN: -- and there'd be an  
 8 opportunity then to --  
 9 CHAIR DREW: Comment.  
 10 MR. ROSSMAN: -- amend based on the  
 11 comments.  
 12 CHAIR DREW: Right.  
 13 MR. ROSSMAN: Yeah, that makes sense.  
 14 CHAIR DREW: Exactly.  
 15 MR. POSNER: So Chair -- Chair Drew, just to  
 16 clarify, we're talking about if there is a public  
 17 comment period, it is only on the proposed mitigation  
 18 measures, which are described in the addendum; is  
 19 that --  
 20 CHAIR DREW: Yes.  
 21 MR. POSNER: -- what we're talking about  
 22 here?  
 23 CHAIR DREW: Yes, that would be what we were  
 24 talking about, is the mitigation members -- mitigation  
 25 measures in the addendum.

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1 MR. STEPHENSON: Thank you, Stephen, that's  
 2 helpful. That's what I think we're talking about now is  
 3 the mitigation measures, yes.  
 4 MR. SIEMANN: And I would agree with that as  
 5 well. We don't want to open up the entire --  
 6 (Multiple speakers speaking.)  
 7 MR. STEPHENSON: Exactly.  
 8 CHAIR DREW: Right.  
 9 MR. SIEMANN: -- again. We want to be  
 10 focused, narrowly focused on the issues at hand.  
 11 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Ms. Betts?  
 12 MS. BETTS: Yes, this is Patricia Betts. I  
 13 would say that normally -- the addendum, certainly we're  
 14 identifying some mitigation for nonsignificant impacts  
 15 that we've identified, but we're also providing some  
 16 analysis, some additional analysis that's basically  
 17 linked to the changes in the proposal.  
 18 I would normally expect us to be at least  
 19 looking for -- listening to any feedback as to whether  
 20 or not our analysis has a hole in it as well.  
 21 CHAIR DREW: Okay.  
 22 MS. BETTS: But certainly not reopening the  
 23 supplemental EIS or the original final EIS.  
 24 CHAIR DREW: Right. Okay. Thank you for  
 25 that clarification. So we would be looking for feedback

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1 on the analysis of this change in the amendment and  
 2 propose mitigation measures, understanding we're not  
 3 seeing significant impacts from this proposal, this  
 4 amendment.  
 5 MS. BUMPUS: Correct.  
 6 CHAIR DREW: Is that clear? Are there any  
 7 other questions?  
 8 Mr. Livingston, I didn't hear from you  
 9 because you're on the phone. I can't see you. So do  
 10 you have any comments?  
 11 MR. LIVINGSTON: No, I support the going out  
 12 for some review of the public to provide some input.  
 13 It's -- I just will -- just for Chair Drew, your  
 14 information, it is very difficult to hear the other  
 15 Councilmembers, and maybe some of the other folks on the  
 16 phone are also having that same difficulty. Just for --  
 17 CHAIR DREW: Can you hear the Staff okay?  
 18 MR. LIVINGSTON: I have heard the Staff,  
 19 yes. Just the other Councilmembers I --  
 20 CHAIR DREW: Make sure your phones are on  
 21 when you speak -- I mean your microphones are on and you  
 22 speak into them.  
 23 A question for Ms. Essko. In this  
 24 direction, do you recommend that we have a motion or  
 25 just give that direction to Staff?

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1 MS. ESSKO: I think you should have a  
 2 motion.  
 3 CHAIR DREW: Okay.  
 4 MS. MOON: Do you want to hear Staff's  
 5 suggestion on the duration of a public comment?  
 6 CHAIR DREW: I was thinking 15 days, but go  
 7 ahead.  
 8 MS. MOON: Oh, that -- that's what we would  
 9 recommend as well.  
 10 CHAIR DREW: Okay. So is there a motion to  
 11 have a public comment period at -- after the --  
 12 Go ahead, Mr. Rossman. You can probably  
 13 help me structure this.  
 14 MR. ROSSMAN: Well, the question, and I'm  
 15 sorry, it seems like there's a person in the room who is  
 16 wanting to address this, and I don't know if we have any  
 17 process that allows for that to happen.  
 18 CHAIR DREW: We generally don't, but you can  
 19 go ahead. Why don't you come on forward.  
 20 MS. MCGAFFEY: Thank you, Chair Drew and  
 21 Councilmembers. My name is Karen -- thank you again.  
 22 My name is Karen McGaffey, and I represent the  
 23 certificate holder for the Desert Claim Project.  
 24 Really just a clarification about the public  
 25 comment period and the process that's being discussed.

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1 My understanding is in addition to the SEPA addendum,  
 2 there will be at some point a draft amended  
 3 certificate -- site certification agreement. And  
 4 historically, the Council hasn't put that draft out for  
 5 public comment, but I know that you did so for the  
 6 recent Solar Project. What I'm trying to figure out so  
 7 I can report back to the company, is whether there will  
 8 be two sequential comment periods or whether these  
 9 comment periods can be combined into one or whether this  
 10 is the only one that will be done.  
 11 CHAIR DREW: My view would be that since we  
 12 are providing this comment on what mitigations we would  
 13 put into the site certification agreement, that would be  
 14 the comment period that we would have on this project  
 15 before the Council, would be -- have enough information,  
 16 unless for some reason the Council determines that we  
 17 don't have enough information --  
 18 MS. MCGAFFEY: Okay.  
 19 CHAIR DREW: -- in order to make that. I've  
 20 looked to my other members here to see...  
 21 MR. SIEMANN: I think from an efficiency  
 22 point of view, one comment period is probably  
 23 appropriate. And so it makes senses to do it in a way  
 24 that combines those two processes if that's what we're  
 25 talking about.

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1 CHAIR DREW: Mr. Posner?  
 2 MR. POSNER: And I would agree. I would say  
 3 if we're going to do a public comment period on the  
 4 addendum, the mitigation measures, that we not have any  
 5 further public comments, comment period. We only have  
 6 one comment period. I agree with that.  
 7 CHAIR DREW: Can we structure -- we can --  
 8 maybe I can -- we can structure the comment period to  
 9 have the information as to what those mitigations the  
 10 Staff is recommending be added to the site certification  
 11 agreement before we put that out for public comment;  
 12 does that make sense? I think what -- what Mr. Siemann  
 13 is saying is trying to get that all...  
 14 MR. POSNER: Well, the mitigation measures  
 15 are either specifically written into the SCA or they're  
 16 adopted by a reference. At least typically that's the  
 17 way it's done. So I think that if -- if -- you know,  
 18 the mitigation measures that have been required of the  
 19 project have been, you know, analyzed thoroughly already  
 20 through the final EIS and the supplemental EIS that  
 21 EFSEC did. So again, back to what you said earlier,  
 22 we're just talking about these new mitigation  
 23 measures --  
 24 CHAIR DREW: Right.  
 25 MR. POSNER: -- and as Ms. Betts had

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1 mentioned, you know, a review or at least looking at  
 2 perhaps the analysis that's been done, if there is any  
 3 concern there, we would want to know about that as well.  
 4 But it's primarily -- my view is that it would be  
 5 focused on the mitigation measures if there's going to  
 6 be a comment period.  
 7 CHAIR DREW: Right, and that -- and that's  
 8 essentially what would be in the site -- the amendment.  
 9 So what you would be writing up for mitigation measures  
 10 would be what's transferred into the SCA amendment; is  
 11 that true?  
 12 MR. POSNER: That's -- that's my  
 13 understanding.  
 14 CHAIR DREW: There would be nothing else in  
 15 addition?  
 16 MS. BUMPUS: Yes, that's -- that's correct.  
 17 And in fact, in the draft addendum, the -- we have a  
 18 section under each resource that talks about the  
 19 proposed mitigation, and that mitigation is going to be  
 20 written very much like it would be --  
 21 CHAIR DREW: Okay.  
 22 MS. BUMPUS: -- once transcribed to the SCA.  
 23 CHAIR DREW: So it would be easy for the  
 24 public to track this is what we commented on and this is  
 25 what's here in the agreement. There wouldn't be a gap

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1 or additional pieces unless we heard something from the  
 2 public?  
 3 MS. BUMPUS: I would -- I would think it  
 4 would be pretty clear to the public --  
 5 CHAIR DREW: Pretty clear.  
 6 MS. BUMPUS: -- in reviewing the addendum,  
 7 yes.  
 8 CHAIR DREW: Does that make sense? Okay.  
 9 Mr. Rossman?  
 10 MR. ROSSMAN: Chair Drew, I'll motion that  
 11 the Council request that Staff make the addendum in  
 12 that, including the analysis in the SEPA addendum and  
 13 proposed mitigation measures available for public  
 14 comment for a 15-day period and report back to the  
 15 Council on any comments or recommended changes.  
 16 CHAIR DREW: Is there a second?  
 17 MR. SIEMANN: I'll second that.  
 18 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.  
 19 Any further discussion?  
 20 MR. SHERMAN: Chair Drew?  
 21 CHAIR DREW: Yes?  
 22 MR. SHERMAN: May I make a comment?  
 23 CHAIR DREW: Yes.  
 24 MR. SHERMAN: Okay. My name is Bill  
 25 Sherman. I'm here in my capacity as counsel for The

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1 Environment. One note on comment periods or that sort  
 2 of thing, I encourage the Council's apparent inclination  
 3 to offer that opportunity to comment or view.  
 4 From my perspective as counsel for The  
 5 Environment, what's really helpful is having an  
 6 opportunity to see what the Council may be voting on  
 7 before the Council is, in fact, voting on it. And I  
 8 know that the procedures for the Council are set up in a  
 9 way where there aren't many entities like myself who  
 10 have a statutory obligation to -- to advocate before the  
 11 Council. And so I understand the procedures that the  
 12 Council follows aren't necessarily set up for that;  
 13 however, opportunities like this, to have public  
 14 comment, are extremely helpful to allow entities like my  
 15 office to be able to weigh in. So thank you very much.  
 16 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.  
 17 Yeah, and what I would ask the Staff to do  
 18 is just to structure the document or the material that  
 19 the public sees in such a way that it's transferable and  
 20 transparent when we see that in an amendment before the  
 21 Council. And so you'll be looking at that same  
 22 information.  
 23 Okay. With that, Ms. Moon.  
 24 MS. MOON: I do have a little more.  
 25 CHAIR DREW: Oh.

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1 MS. MOON: So the Council had previously  
 2 asked --  
 3 CHAIR DREW: If we could have a time out.  
 4 We have a motion on the floor.  
 5 MS. MOON: Oh, that's true.  
 6 CHAIR DREW: So let me complete that, and  
 7 then we'll move back to you. Okay.  
 8 MR. ROSSMAN: I guess I should withdraw the  
 9 motion until we know if there is anything else in it.  
 10 If that's -- okay. My apologies.  
 11 CHAIR DREW: Okay. So the motion is to  
 12 Mr. Rossman.  
 13 MR. ROSSMAN: So request that Staff cause  
 14 there to be a 15-day public comment period on the  
 15 addendum to the SEPA analysis and mitigation measures  
 16 and report back to the Council on any comments received.  
 17 CHAIR DREW: Okay. All those in favor?  
 18 COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.  
 19 CHAIR DREW: Okay. That's a unanimous vote.  
 20 So that's adopted. Thank you.  
 21 Ms. Moon.  
 22 MS. MOON: Thank you, Council Drew. So  
 23 Council had previously asked about the SCA amendment  
 24 schedule, and Staff anticipates that the next steps will  
 25 include responding to the public comments and finalizing

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1 the SEPA addendum or addenda. At the October Council  
 2 meeting, Staff planned to propose the SCA amendments for  
 3 Council consideration. And that was really everything I  
 4 had.  
 5 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Any further questions or  
 6 comments?  
 7 Okay. Thank you. That was complicated to  
 8 get through, but I think important for all the reasons  
 9 that we want to make sure that all those who are  
 10 interested in this project have an opportunity to  
 11 understand what's happening next, what the schedule is,  
 12 and when there's an opportunity to comment. So thank  
 13 you all for working through that with me.  
 14 Moving on now to the Columbia Solar Project  
 15 project update. Ms. Kidder.  
 16 MS. KIDDER: I have a brief update for you  
 17 on the Columbia Solar Project. The packet, including  
 18 the application for site certification, draft site  
 19 certification agreement, MDNS, and other relevant  
 20 documentation, was delivered to the governor's office  
 21 after the Council vote at the August Council meeting,  
 22 and we are still within the 60-day review period for the  
 23 governor's decision.  
 24 In the meantime, Staff participated in the  
 25 site visit with the Applicant and Ecology on Friday,



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1 September 7th. This visit was a preconstruction dry  
2 season visit with EFSEC's Construction Stormwater Permit  
3 contractor so that should the governor decide to approve  
4 the project, EFSEC Staff and Ecology will be prepared to  
5 move forward with the required Construction Stormwater  
6 Permit. Are there any questions?

7 CHAIR DREW: Questions?

8 Thank you.

9 Now we are at the end of our agenda. I have  
10 a couple of things. I wanted to ask Mr. Posner for a --  
11 to talk about our meeting calendar, because when we  
12 looked at our meeting for November, we realized that  
13 it's the Tuesday of Thanksgiving week because of how it  
14 falls, and that seems to be an inopportune time to meet.

15 So go ahead.

16 MR. POSNER: Thank you, Chair Drew. So  
17 we're proposing that we move the Council meeting up one  
18 week. Instead of the third Tuesday of November, we'll  
19 have it on the second Tuesday. Which, by the way,  
20 historically used to be the day that we used to have  
21 Council meetings. We changed it several years ago. So  
22 second Tuesday of November is what we're proposing for  
23 the November Council meeting.

24 CHAIR DREW: So it's switching from Tuesday  
25 the 20th, which is two days before Thanksgiving, to

1 So I believe Commerce will have somebody  
2 appointed to the seat before the October meeting, and  
3 I'm sorry I'm not going to be able to join you in  
4 Richland, but thank you very much. I've enjoyed my time  
5 here.

6 CHAIR DREW: I want to say thank you for  
7 your service, and we do have a resolution to present to  
8 you which, Mr. Livingston, you have signed an abstention  
9 so we'll send you a copy.

10 MR. LIVINGSTON: Thank you.

11 CHAIR DREW: But you have such a wealth of  
12 knowledge and experience and interest and engagement on  
13 the projects and the issues that come before us, and  
14 personally, I will miss you a great deal as a member of  
15 this Council. But best wishes to you in your future  
16 endeavor.

17 MR. SIEMANN: I too would like to say that I  
18 will miss Jaime quite a bit. He has been a great  
19 colleague on this and an excellent analytic mind and  
20 good humor. And I have learned a lot from working with  
21 you. So I appreciate all that we have spent together  
22 here. Thank you.

23 MR. ROSSMAN: Thank you.

24 CHAIR DREW: No other business before us,  
25 this meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

1 Tuesday the 13th, which is a day after a holiday. So  
2 it's November, take your pick. But I do think that it's  
3 probably easier to do it on the 13th than that week, if  
4 that suits the Council. So we'll make that change.

5 The other thing, the other item I would like  
6 to bring up, Mr. Rossman wanted a couple minutes to  
7 address the Council.

8 MR. ROSSMAN: Yeah, thank you, Chair Drew.  
9 And as some of you know, I'm going to be stepping down  
10 from the Council at the end of this month. I'm leaving  
11 Commerce to take a new position at Department of  
12 Enterprise Services.

13 It's been a real honor and a privilege and a  
14 good time to be a part of this group and to get to work  
15 with the fantastic Staff, Stephen and Sonia and the rest  
16 of the team, and Joan, Tammy. No, really, you all were  
17 very welcoming to me, and I really appreciated that from  
18 the start, and it's been just a really enjoyable  
19 experience as well as my fellow Councilmembers and you,  
20 Chair Drew.

21 So I think that this is a great body. It's  
22 a really interesting process to be involved in, to be  
23 sort of at the intersection of so many different policy  
24 issues as well as different paradigms for how projects  
25 are evaluated. And it's just -- it's been an honor.

1 (Adjourned at 2:00 p.m.)  
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# Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project

## Monthly Operations Report

September 2018

### Project Status Update

#### **Production Summary:**

Power generated: 22,607 MWh  
Wind speed: 6.8 m/s  
Capacity Factor: 31.1%

#### **Safety:**

No incidents

#### **Compliance:**

Project is in compliance

#### **Sound:**

No complaints

#### **Shadow Flicker:**

No complaints

#### **Environmental:**

No incidents

**Wild Horse**  
September 2018

**Safety**

No lost-time accidents or safety injuries/illnesses.

**Compliance/Environmental**

Nothing to report.

**Operations/Maintenance**

Nothing to report.

**Wind Production**

September generation totaled 40,179 MWh for an average capacity factor of 20.47%.

**Eagle Update**

Nothing to report.

## EFSEC Monthly Operational Report Grays Harbor Energy Center

September 2018

1. Safety and Training

- 1.1. There were no accidents or injuries during the month of September.
- 1.2. Conducted scheduled and required monthly training.
- 1.3. Conducted the scheduled Safety Committee meeting.

2. Environmental

- 2.1. All routine reporting completed.
- 2.2. Annual Outfall inspection and the planned repairs, based on the 2017 inspection and discovery, were made Monday, September 10 and 14, by Crux Diving.
- 2.3. GHEC has received a rough draft of the Annual RATA Testing results. It is being reviewed for the final version.

3. Operations & Maintenance

- 3.1. Grays Harbor Energy Center (GHEC) operated 30 days during the month, with 2 starts on U1, and 0 starts on U2.
- 3.2. GHEC generated 399,595MWh during the month.
- 3.3. The plant capacity factor was 90%.
- 3.4. All routine reporting completed.

4. Noise and/or Odor

- 4.1. None.

5. Site Visits

- 5.1. September 12, ORCAA Compliance Manager Robert Moody brought ORCAA Board Members Terri Drexler, Jim Cooper and Joan Cathy, and ORCAA Executive Director Fran McNair to the plant for a familiarization tour.

6. Other

- 6.1. Grays Harbor Energy Center is staffed with 19 personnel.

**Energy Northwest  
October 16, 2018 EFSEC Council Meeting  
Operations Reporting Period for September 1-30, 2018  
Site Contact: Mary Ramos**

**Columbia Generating Station Operational Status**

Columbia Generating Station is online at 100 percent power.

There are no events, safety incidents, or regulatory issues to report.

**WNP 1/4 Building Transfer/Water**

There are no events, safety incidents, or regulatory issues to report.

## **Chehalis Generation Facility----Monthly Plant Report – September 2018** **Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council**

10.08.2018

### **Safety:**

- There were no recordable incidents this reporting period and the plant staff has achieved 1150 days without a Lost Time Accident.

### **Environment:**

- There were no air emissions or stormwater deviations or spills during the month.
- Wastewater and Storm-water monitoring results were in compliance with the permit limits.
- Conducted semi-annual maintenance on the combustion turbines continuous emissions monitors. All equipment is performing as specified by the manufacturer.
- An audit was conducted on the plants Environmental Management System by Berkshire Hathaway Energy auditors. There were no findings.

### **Operations and Maintenance Activities:**

- The Plant generated 261,486 MW-hours in August for a 2018 YTD generation total of 1,572,983 MW-hours and a capacity factor of 47.51% for 2018.

### **Regulatory/Compliance:**

- Nothing to report this period.

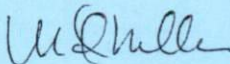
### **Sound monitoring:**

- Nothing to report this period.

### **Carbon Offset Mitigation:**

- Nothing to report this period.

Respectfully,



Mark A. Miller  
Manager, Gas Plant  
Chehalis Generation Facility

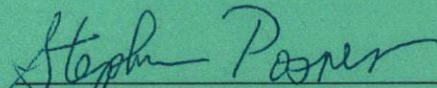
# Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

## Non Direct Cost Allocation for 2nd Quarter FY 2019 October 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018

The EFSEC Cost Allocation Plan (Plan) was approved by the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council in September 2004. The Plan directed review of the past quarter's percentage of EFSEC technical staff's average FTE's, charged to EFSEC projects. This along with anticipated work for the quarter is used as the basis for determining the non-direct cost percentage charge, for each EFSEC project.

Using the procedures for developing cost allocation, and allowance for new projects, the following percentages shall be used to allocate EFSEC's non direct costs for the 2nd quarter of FY 2019:

Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project	8%
Wild Horse Wind Power Project	8%
Columbia Generating Station	23%
Columbia Solar	16%
WNP-1	4%
Whistling Ridge Energy Project	3%
Grays Harbor 1&2	11%
Chehalis Generation Project	9%
Desert Claim Wind Power Project	15%
Grays Harbor Energy 3&4	3%

  
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Stephen Posner, EFSEC Manager

Date: 10/10/2018