## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CLEARWATER POWER COMPANY

## Resolution in Support of the Operation of Columbia Generating Station, a Carbon-Free Source of Affordable Electricity

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**WHEREAS**, 8,349 Members rely on Clearwater Power Company to supply electricity at affordable prices.

**WHEREAS**, Clearwater Power Company is committed to providing its Members with as much of their electricity as economically possible from carbon-free generating resources.

WHEREAS, Energy Northwest operates the Columbia Generating Station, a nuclear power plant that is the largest source of carbon-free electricity in the State of Washington after the state's indigenous supply of clean hydroelectric power.

**WHEREAS,** Columbia Generating Station has an exemplary record of safe and reliable operation, producing enough low-cost, carbon-free electricity each year to supply a city the size of Seattle, Washington.

**WHEREAS**, the replacement of Columbia Generating Station by a similarly reliable source of electricity would add at least 3,000,000 tons of carbon to the atmosphere each year, which would adversely affect efforts to combat climate change.<sup>(1)</sup>

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, following extensive safety and environmental technical reviews, and onsite inspections, found that the Columbia Generating Station can continue its safe and reliable operation through 2043.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of Clearwater Power Company has found that the operation of Columbia Generating Station is essential to ensuring that its customers receive a continuing supply of affordable, carbon-free electricity.

**THEREFORE,** the Board of Directors of Clearwater Power Company resolves that Energy Northwest should take the appropriate steps to ensure the continued safe and reliable contribution of the Columbia Generating Station, through its lifecycle, to the Northwest's clean energy mix as approved by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

## **CERTIFICATE**

I, MARMADUKE M. HARRIS, Secretary-Treasurer of Clearwater Power Company, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct excerpt from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Clearwater Power Company, held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017, at which meeting a quorum was present.



Marmaduke M. Harris, Secretary-Treasurer

<sup>(1) 8760</sup> hours x 90% capacity factor x 1,190 MWs x 700 lbs CO2 per MWh from the most efficient CCGT. Columbia historically runs at greater than 90% capacity; according to a separate 2014 study by IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates (Boston, Mass.), Columbia prevents 3.6 million metric tons of CO2 emissions annually compared to the most feasible replacement option of efficient natural gas-fired generation.