



RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF THE OPERATION OF THE COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, A CARBON-FREE SOURCE OF AFFORDABLE ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, over 40,000 members residing in 13 counties in the Pacific Northwest, rely on Inland Power for a reliable supply of electricity at affordable prices; and

WHEREAS, Inland Power is committed to providing its members with as much of their electricity as economically possible from carbon-free generating resources; and

WHEREAS, Inland Power is a member of Energy Northwest, a Joint Operating Agency of the State of Washington, that is committed to producing electricity from carbon-free generating resources; and

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; and

WHEREAS, the 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; and

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

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; and

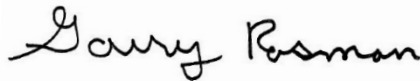
WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Inland Power of Spokane, Washington has found that the operation of the Columbia Generating Station is essential to ensuring that its customers receive a continuing supply of affordable, carbon-free electricity; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Inland Power of Spokane, Washington resolves that Energy Northwest should take all possible steps to ensure the continued safe and reliable contribution of the Columbia Generating Station, through its lifecycle, to the northwest clean energy mix, as approved by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

(1) 8,760 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, MA), Columbia prevents 3.6 million metric tons of CO₂ emissions annually compared to the most feasible replacement option of efficient natural gas-fired generation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Inland Power of Spokane, WA, strongly supports the continued safe and reliable operation of the Columbia Generating Station.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 19th day of October, 2017.



*Signature of Garry Rosman
Board Secretary, Inland Power*

