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Re: PPC's PFR II Comments and CGS Condenser Replacement

As a result of discussion at its May 4 Executive Committee meeting, the Public Power Council would like to clarify our comments on Power Function Review (PFR) II regarding the issue of the condenser replacement at the Columbia Generating Station (CGS). In our April 26<sup>th</sup> comments, we said: "We do, however, question the timing of the funding for the main condenser replacement, given that the planning and design has not yet been fully developed and other alternatives have not yet been explored. Given that there is \$35 million in placeholder capital costs for the condenser replacement in the spending estimates for the FY07-09 period, we are interested in the follow-up report on this investment."

As also noted in our April 26<sup>th</sup> comments, "BPA's customers recognize that the reliable and safe operation of CGS is essential to BPA's power portfolio." Taken together, these statements should *not* be read to mean that the condenser should not be replaced. Rather, if replacement is deemed necessary after consideration of the alternatives, then the condenser should be replaced. Also as BPA notes in its PFR II draft closeout report, "BPA customers expressed interest in receiving a follow-up report on EN's plan in regard to condenser replacement and EN and BPA intend to provide this follow up." BPA's customers remain interested

in follow-up discussions on this topic, to gain additional understanding of the different ways ENW had researched to address its main condenser problems.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this clarification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MSh', written in a cursive style.

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