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Subject:

COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION, DOCKET NO. 50-397,

LICENSE NO. NPF-21; 60-DAY FOLLOW-UP REPORT

REGARDING EVENT NOTIFICATION 40829

Dear Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is the 60-day follow-up report for the subject event notification pursuant to 10 CFR § 73.71(a)(4).

Should you have any questions or desire additional information regarding this matter, please call Mr. JR Fisher at (509) 377-8599.

Respectfully,

DW Coleman

Manager, Regulatory Programs

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60-day Follow-up Report

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

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At 1822 on June 18, 2004, with Columbia Generating Station (Columbia) in mode 1, an Energy Northwest security x-ray machine operator detected a loaded handgun in the backpack of an Energy Northwest employee at Columbia's Protected Area (PA) access control point (ref: Event Report 40829). In response to this event, the individual's access to the PA was terminated and he left the owner controlled area after he was determined to be fit for duty. Local law enforcement (Benton County Sheriff) responded and took possession of the firearm. This event meets the criteria specified in 10 CFR § 73, Appendix G, paragraph I(d), as this was an attempted introduction of contraband into Columbia's PA. This report is made pursuant to the requirement of 10 CFR § 73.71(a)(4) for a 60-day follow-up written report.

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NARRATIVE (If more space is required, use additional copies of NRC Form 366A) (17)

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

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Date and Time of Event

June 18, 2003 at 1822 PDT.

Location of Actual or Threatened Event

The event occurred in the search area of Columbia's Protected Area (PA) access control point.

Plant Operating Phase

At the time of this event, Columbia was in mode 1 operating at full power.

Safety Systems Threatened, directly or indirectly

Because the event did not result in an actual introduction of contraband into the protected area, no safety systems were threatened.

Type of Security Force onsite

Energy Northwest maintains a proprietary security force.

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Number and type of personnel involved

One Energy Northwest employee and two Energy Northwest nuclear security officers were involved with this event.

Method of discovery of incident

The contraband was detected as the employee's backpack was processed through the x-ray machine in the protected area access control point.

Procedural errors involved

Although this action was a violation of an Energy Northwest policy, there were no procedural errors involved.

Immediate actions taken in response to event

Upon discovery of the contraband, the handgun was left in the x-ray machine while the employee was segregated and searched. A local law enforcement official was summoned to the scene and took possession of the firearm. The individual's access to the PA was terminated and he left the owner controlled area after he was determined to be fit for duty.

Corrective actions taken or planned

The fundamental cause is personnel error due to lack of attention to detail and lack of focus. Therefore, the corrective actions are centered on the individual involved. The individual's unescorted access to the PA has been restored based upon a favorable psychological evaluation and fitness for duty test.

Local, State, or Federal law enforcement agencies contacted

The local law enforcement agency (Benton County Sheriff) was contacted and took possession of the firearm.

Description of media interest and press release

A press release was not issued regarding this condition and there has been no media interest.

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Indication of previous similar events

There have been no previous similar events.

Knowledgeable contact

For questions or additional information the point of contact is Lieutenant Jim Fisher in the Columbia Resource Protection department, who may be reached by telephone at 509-377-8599.