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SUBJECT: FOIA Request

Dear Ms. Winn:


Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I request a copy of the following documents related to the nuclear fuel contracts described in the attached press release:

1. A copy of the agreements between Energy Northwest, TVA, the U.S. Enrichment Corp. and the Department of Energy (and/or BPA).
2. A copy of the economic analysis that shows the fuel contract(s) will generate \$80 million in rate case savings from 2014 to 2017 and potentially many more millions in savings through 2028.
3. BPA's notice to Energy Northwest of the Administrator's approval or disapproval of the fuel contracts, pursuant to the net-billing agreement for the Columbia Generating Station.

I am willing to pay \$50 for search and copy charges. Please call me before proceeding if you expect the charges to exceed that amount.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


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Sustainability brings BPA highest award in Federal Electronics Challenge



Forget going for the gold. BPA just achieved platinum for its sustainability efforts in the Federal Electronics Challenge. The challenge encourages agencies to manage electronics in a sustainable, cost effective and responsible way.



B-Dub goes after bullies

Country station 98.7 KUPL's evening disc jockey B-Dub hosted a derby, a first-of-its-kind Pikeminnow Fishing Derby to be exact. It was a cast-your-rod, reel-in-cash and then spin-the-wheel-to-win-a-prize kind of day at the Port of The Dalles Marina. Of course you could just register to participate too. B-Dub is the newest salmon savior by bringing awareness to baby fish's biggest bullies.



Kalispel Tribe joins federal agencies to protect bull trout and other species

The new agreement makes available approximately \$39.5 million over 10 years, including \$2.5 million for land acquisitions for wildlife habitat. The agreement focuses on actions to address impacts of Albeni Falls Dam on fish and wildlife in the area of Lake Pend Oreille and the tribe's Reservation along the Pend Oreille River about 55 miles north of Spokane, Wash.

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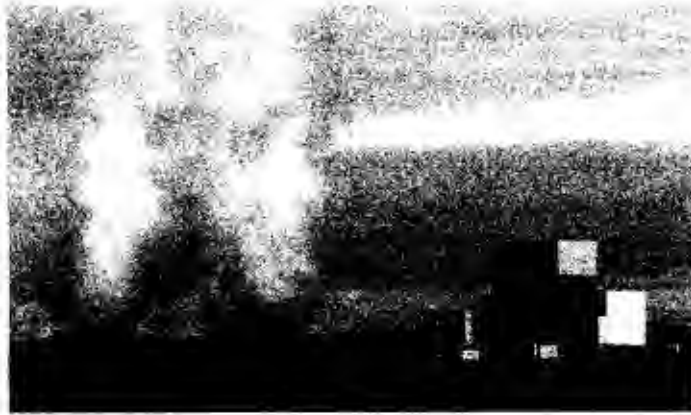
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Energy Northwest, BPA save ratepayers millions through nuclear fuel purchase



(Photo courtesy: Energy Northwest)

Northwest ratepayers became the beneficiaries earlier this week of a nuclear fuel purchase agreement that will generate \$80 million in rate case savings from 2014 to 2017 and potentially many millions more in savings through 2028.

Contracts were signed today between Energy Northwest, Tennessee Valley Authority, the U.S. Enrichment Corporation, and the Department of Energy that will begin the process of turning depleted uranium into low-cost nuclear fuel.

The depleted uranium, also called uranium tails, would be delivered to Energy Northwest for use in Columbia Generating Station following enrichment. The program is similar to a pilot project in 2005 that reduced fuel costs over \$100 million.

"This will provide a substantial benefit to Columbia and Northwest ratepayers," said Mark Reddemann, CEO of Energy Northwest. "It will give us a stable fuel supply through 2028 and at a lower cost."

The expected net-present value of the transaction is estimated to be in excess of \$100 million (assuming a conservative 12 percent discount rate) primarily as a result of the reduced cost of fuel purchases for Columbia.

The transaction results in near-term decreases in Energy Northwest/BPA costs of roughly \$20 million each year from 2014 to 2017, helping keep electricity rates lower than they otherwise would be. Future ratepayers will also benefit from access to low-cost fuel.

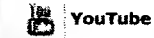
"This transaction, while not without risk, projects to produce benefits for ratepayers who get power from BPA both near and long term," said BPA Administrator Steve Wright. "We are particularly pleased with how well EN and BPA worked together to assess and mitigate risk."

DOE approached BPA and Energy Northwest to gauge interest in uranium tailings that could be enriched to provide fuel for Columbia, similar to the 2005 pilot project. DOE has an estimated 700,000 metric tons of depleted uranium hexafluoride now scheduled for disposal.

USEC enriches uranium at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant, which it leases from DOE. Under the agreement, USEC would provide Energy Northwest with 482 metric tons of enriched uranium product from depleted uranium. Through the agreement, Energy Northwest will contract with USEC to enrich the depleted uranium and use it to fuel Columbia and to supply TVA.

Currently, Energy Northwest has enough fuel in inventory or under contract to meet

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