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A P P E A R A N C E S

Councilmembers:

KATHLEEN DREW, Chair
LIZ GREEN-TAYLOR, Department of Commerce
CULLEN STEPHENSON, Department of Ecology
STACEY BREWSTER, Utilities and
Transportation Commission
DAN SIEMANN, Department of Natural
Resources (via phone)
MIKE LIVINGSTON, Department of Fish &
Wildlife (via phone)

Assistant Attorney General:

JON THOMPSON

Council Staff:

JOAN AITKEN
CHRISTINA POTIS
PATTY BETTS
AMY MOON
AMI KIDDER
STEPHEN POSNER
SONIA BUMPUS

In Attendance:

KATHY CONAWAY, Department of Ecology
(via phone)
KATIE HALL, Department of Ecology (via
phone)
ERIC MELBARDIS, EDP Renewables
JENNIFER DIAZ, Puget Sound Energy (via
phone)
CHRIS SHERIN, Grays Harbor Energy Center
MARY RAMOS, Columbia Generating Station
(via phone)
TIM MCMAHAN, Stoel Rives (via phone)
BILL SHERMAN, The Environment (via
phone)
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4 P R O C E E D I N G S

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6 CHAIR DREW: Good afternoon. I'm Kathleen
7 Drew, Chair of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation
8 Council, and we will bring this meeting to order. We
9 will start by calling the roll, Ms. Potis.

10 MS. POTIS: Department of Commerce?

11 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: Liz Green-Taylor, here.

12 MS. POTIS: Department of Ecology?

13 MR. STEPHENSON: Cullen Stephenson, here.

14 MS. POTIS: Fish & Wildlife?

15 MR. LIVINGSTON: Mike Livingston, here.

16 MS. POTIS: Department of Natural Resources?

17 MR. SIEMANN: Dan Siemann is here on the
18 phone.

19 MS. POTIS: Utilities and Transportation?

20 MS. BREWSTER: Stacey Brewster, here.

21 MS. POTIS: Chair, we have a quorum for the
22 Council.

23 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

24 And before we move on to our regular agenda,
25 I would just like to welcome Stacey Brewster, who is the

1 representative of the Utilities and Transportation
2 Commission, and she did start with the UTC in September.
3 She has a background in science from having received her
4 BS, excuse me, from the Evergreen State College. And
5 then spent several years studying and researching
6 forestry practices on biodiversity with the Pacific
7 Northwest Research Station of the Forest Service for
8 five years before returning to Evergreen and then
9 becoming the head of their serials and electronic
10 resources department for the library. And she is here
11 and working as a legal and library assistant with the
12 administrative law division with the UTC. So she has a
13 very diverse background, and we welcome her to our
14 Council.

15 Welcome, Stacey.

16 MS. BREWSTER: Thank you.

17 CHAIR DREW: So moving on now to the agenda.

18 Oh, first of all, before we go there, I will ask if
19 there's anyone on the phone who wanted to introduce
20 themselves as well.

21 MR. SHERMAN: Thank you, Chair. This is
22 Bill Sherman as counsel for The Environment.

23 MS. CONAWAY: This is Kathy Conaway, and we
24 have Katie Hall from Ecology Nuclear Waste Program --

25 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

1 MS. CONAWAY: -- in Richland.

2 MR. MCMAHAN: Tim McMahan with Stoel Rives.

3 MS. DIAZ: Jennifer Diaz with Puget Sound

4 Energy.

5 MS. RAMOS: Mary Ramos with Energy

6 Northwest.

7 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you, everyone.

8 Our next item is our proposed agenda. Is

9 there a motion to accept this meeting agenda?

10 MR. STEPHENSON: I will move to accept the

11 agenda.

12 CHAIR DREW: Second?

13 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: I'll second that.

14 CHAIR DREW: Okay. All those in favor?

15 COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

16 CHAIR DREW: Agenda's adopted.

17 Moving on to the meeting minutes from our

18 last meeting, which was November 13th, 2018. Is there a

19 motion to adopt the meeting minutes from November 13th?

20 MR. STEPHENSON: I will move to adopt those

21 minutes.

22 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: And I will second that

23 motion.

24 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

25 Any comments on the minutes? All those in

1 favor of adopting the minutes, please say "aye."

2 COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

3 CHAIR DREW: All those opposed? Meeting
4 minutes are adopted.

5 Okay. Moving on to the projects. We will
6 start with the operational update from Kittitas Valley
7 Wind Project, Mr. Melbardis?

8 MR. MELBARDIS: Good afternoon, Chair Drew,
9 EFSEC Council. This is Eric Melbardis with EDP
10 Renewables for the Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project.
11 We finished out December the same as the rest of the
12 year with nothing nonroutine to report.

13 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

14 Wild Horse Wind Power Project, Ms. Diaz?

15 MS. DIAZ: Yes, thank you, Chair Drew and
16 Councilmembers. For the record, this is Jennifer Diaz
17 with Puget Sound Energy at the Wild Horse Wind and Solar
18 Facility. The only nonroutine item I have for the month
19 of December is that the Kittitas County Fire Marshal
20 completed a fire, life, and safety inspection on
21 December 14th, and the inspection passed with no
22 violations.

23 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

24 MS. DIAZ: And that's all I have.

25 CHAIR DREW: Grays Harbor Energy Center,

1 Mr. Sherin?

2 MR. SHERIN: I'm good.

3 Afternoon, Chair Drew and Councilmembers.

4 Chris Sherin, plant manager at Grays Harbor Energy
5 Center. For December, everything we have to report, we
6 have no nonroutine times. One item on there, we did
7 have a State fire marshal inspection, and we did have a
8 couple minor violations, which will come -- be in
9 January's reports as we didn't get the violation notice
10 until the 7th. But since then, we've corrected all
11 of --

12 CHAIR DREW: Great.

13 MR. SHERIN: -- corrected all those
14 violations.

15 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

16 MR. SHERIN: Thank you.

17 CHAIR DREW: Chehalis Generation Facility?

18 Mr. Miller, or is he unable --

19 MS. KIDDER: Chair Drew, if I may,
20 Mr. Miller is unavailable to attend this month's Council
21 meeting. The Facility update may be found in the packet
22 on the blue paper. The only nonroutine item to report
23 was that in December, Chehalis also had the State Fire
24 Marshal's Office perform an inspection. They had some
25 minor violations, which have mostly been corrected, if

1 not completely corrected at this point, and we will
2 receive an update on that with their next month's report
3 and the follow-up inspection as well.

4 CHAIR DREW: Thank you, Ms. Kidder.
5 Columbia Solar Project, Ms. Kidder.

6 MS. KIDDER: Thank you, Chair Drew. For the
7 record, my name is Ami Kidder, and I just have a few
8 items to update you on for the Columbia Solar Project.
9 Staff are continuing coordination with our agency
10 contractors to review preliminary draft plans as
11 indicated in the Mitigated Determination of
12 Nonsignificance and the Site Certification Agreement.

13 The certificate holder, Department of Fish &
14 Wildlife and Ecology met in Ellensburg for a site visit
15 on January 2nd to discuss planting and monitoring
16 guidelines for planned vegetation at each site. And the
17 certificate holder is still coordinating with both DFW
18 and Ecology to establish appropriate mitigation and
19 monitoring for impacts as directed in the MDNS and SCA.

20 Additionally, the Army Corps of Engineers
21 have provided the certificate holder with a letter of
22 authorization under Nationwide Permit 18 at the Typha
23 site, which is necessary for stabilization of the access
24 road to the site. Are there any questions?

25 CHAIR DREW: Any questions?

1 Thank you, Ms. Kidder.

2 MR. POSNER: Chair Drew, I --

3 CHAIR DREW: Mr. Posner.

4 MR. POSNER: -- have a short update on the
5 Kittitas County action related to Columbia Solar that I
6 can provide to the Council.

7 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

8 MR. POSNER: So just a little background for
9 those who aren't aware who weren't on the Council while
10 this project was under review, just a little background,
11 the recommendation, the EFSEC recommendation to the
12 governor was made in August on the 22nd. And the
13 governor agreed with the decision or with the
14 recommendation from EFSEC and approved the project on
15 October 17th.

16 And then on the 15th of November, Kittitas
17 County filed a petition for judicial review per RCW
18 80.50.140. So that triggered some actions that we had
19 to take. We had to prepare the administrative record or
20 put it together. We had been preparing it as we'd been
21 reviewing the project. The administrative record was
22 compiled and was submitted to the Thurston County
23 Superior Court on 12/15/2018.

24 And at this point in time, there is a trial
25 scheduling date set for the 22nd of March. And at that

1 time, there will be further discussion in front of the
2 Court with the various parties, including EFSEC and the
3 AG's office, concerning the status of the petition and
4 the next actions, if you will.

5 But essentially what has happened is that
6 Kittitas County is -- is challenging the decision that
7 the governor has made, and then ultimately it could end
8 up being heard before the supreme court. That's
9 typically how the process works in a situation like
10 this.

11 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

12 Are there any questions?

13 MR. SIEMANN: Chair Drew, this is Dan
14 Siemann from DNR, and I do have one question which is,
15 what is the basis of the complaint?

16 MR. POSNER: The -- the one issue that they
17 cited in their petition was related to adequate potable
18 water supply.

19 CHAIR DREW: And I believe those documents
20 are on our SharePoint --

21 MR. POSNER: Right.

22 CHAIR DREW: -- site if you'd like to review
23 them.

24 MR. POSNER: The documents are on the
25 SharePoint site and they're also on the -- the EFSEC

1 website as well.

2 CHAIR DREW: Mr. Cullen?

3 MR. STEPHENSON: Thank you, Chair Drew.

4 Question to Staff, what's the smart strategy
5 here? Do we wait to let this play out or do we take
6 more direct action?

7 MR. POSNER: Well, I think right now
8 we're -- we're -- we're consulting with the AG's office
9 and we're considering the various options as far as, you
10 know, how to proceed at this point in time. But we
11 fulfilled our obligation under the statute to provide
12 the record to the superior court, it's there now, and
13 then in March there'll be essentially another hearing
14 where next steps will be decided by the Court.

15 CHAIR DREW: It's also my understanding that
16 there's no prohibition on us continuing to work with the
17 certificate holder and proceed with approving the
18 application -- or approving the plans as they come
19 forward.

20 MR. POSNER: Right.

21 CHAIR DREW: So we are continuing to do so.

22 MR. POSNER: That's correct.

23 MR. STEPHENSON: Thank you.

24 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you.

25 Desert Claim Project update, Amy Moon.

1 MS. MOON: Good afternoon, Council Chair
2 Drew and Councilmembers. For the record, this is Amy
3 Moon, and I will be providing an update for the Desert
4 Claim Project. EFSEC Staff continues to coordinate with
5 Desert Claim, however, I have no other updates at this
6 time.

7 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

8 And for background on that, that is, of
9 course, with our -- our new member here, is the
10 amendment to the project which the Council adopted in
11 November.

12 Moving on to WNP 1/4, the non -- the
13 nonoperational updates, Ms. Ramos?

14 MS. RAMOS: Good afternoon, Chair Drew and
15 Councilmembers. My name is Mary Ramos, and I'm
16 reporting for Energy Northwest WNP 1/4. For the month
17 of December, the Office of the State Fire Marshal
18 conducted a fire inspection of WNP 1/4. We received the
19 report -- the inspection report on December 10th, and
20 Energy Northwest responded to the inspection report on
21 January 10th.

22 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Thank you. And then if
23 you'd like to continue, then, on to the Columbia
24 Generating Station update.

25 MS. RAMOS: Okay. For Columbia Generating

1 Station, on November 28th, Energy Northwest notified
2 EFSEC and Washington State Department of Ecology via
3 telephone of a spill of transformer oil at Columbia
4 Generating Station. A follow-up email was also sent to
5 EFSEC and Ecology on December 4th.

6 To summarize the oil spill, in April of
7 this -- of 2018, Energy Northwest discovered a slow drip
8 of oil from the side of a transformer located near our
9 cool -- our cooling towers. The leak progressed off of
10 the transformer's concrete pad and onto the surrounding
11 gravel.

12 In August of 2018, Energy Northwest
13 Environmental and Regulatory Programs department learned
14 that periodic integrity testing of the oil, which is
15 performed by our engineering department. It revealed
16 that the oil contained traces of polychlorinated
17 biphenyls at 13 parts per million, and this was as a
18 result of residual PCBs from the PCB oil that was used
19 in the past.

20 There has been no discharge to ground water
21 or to any water body as a result of the transformer oil
22 spill. The oil spill is confined to the area
23 immediately adjacent to the transformer and inside a
24 concrete berm. And then also, entry to that transformer
25 area is restricted by a fence, and it's also -- there's

1 a sign posting the PCB content.

2 The spill area is being closely monitored,
3 and we use absorbent pads placed along the bottom of the
4 transformer to contain the spill.

5 We are actively working to find a resolution
6 for repairing the leak. The oil drip is coming from an
7 enclosed internal compartment of the transformer, and
8 currently the station is unable to complete the
9 necessary repairs while the station is online. This is
10 due to industrial safety risk and plant operating
11 conditions. Our engineering department is actively
12 working to find a repair window offline or a strategy
13 that would allow us to repair online.

14 In addition to that summary, on December
15 12th, the Washington State Department of Ecology, there
16 were two inspectors who visited Columbia to discuss and
17 observe the transformer oil spill area. And then on
18 January 7th, Energy Northwest responded to a request for
19 additional information regarding the transformer oil
20 spill.

21 And then also for the month of December, the
22 Office of the State Fire Marshal conducted a fire
23 inspection of Columbia Generating Station's nonplant
24 buildings, and similar to the WNP 1/4 update I provided,
25 the inspection report was received on December 10th, and

1 we responded to that report on January 10th.

2 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

3 Are there any questions from Councilmembers?

4 Mr. Stephenson?

5 MR. STEPHENSON: Thank you, Chair.

6 Thank you, Ms. Ramos. Maybe two questions.

7 One is, you speak of a concrete berm, does that include

8 some sort of concrete floor so that the -- the -- the

9 spill is onto concrete or is the spill onto dirt?

10 And then the second, you say that there's no

11 contamination of the water or -- or -- and how do you

12 know that? Thank you.

13 MS. RAMOS: Thank you. So this is -- again,

14 this is Mary Ramos responding for Energy Northwest. On

15 the first question regarding the concrete berm, we do

16 know there's an 18-inch concrete berm surrounding the

17 transformer. We have asked our engineering department

18 regarding whether or not they can determine based on

19 design information if the con- -- if there's a concrete

20 layer at the bottom of that gravel. And at this time,

21 we do not know. We plan to look into that when we

22 perform the cleanup by a vendor on January 21st.

23 And then on the second question regarding

24 the statement I made that there has been no discharge to

25 a water body, we continue to look at the spill area and

1 closely monitor that, and there are two underground
2 injection control wells in the vicinity of the
3 transformer. Each time we observe the spill area, we
4 also look inside the underground injection control well
5 and make -- and see if there's any oil sheen observed
6 inside the water that's contained in those IC wells.

7 MR. STEPHENSON: Thank you.

8 MS. RAMOS: Thank you.

9 CHAIR DREW: Any other questions?

10 Okay. Thank you very much.

11 We now will move on to discuss the -- since
12 that was the operational update, the NPDES Permit
13 modification draft, and that will be Ms. Moon.

14 MS. MOON: Thank you, Chair Drew. Again,
15 for the record, this is Amy Moon, and I will be
16 providing an update for the proposed National Pollutant
17 Discharge Elimination System, referred to as the NPDES
18 Permit, at the Columbia Generating Station. Energy
19 Northwest submitted an application to modify the current
20 NPDES Permit to allow for a continuous halogenation and
21 dehalogenation process to improve inhibition of
22 biological fouling of the circulating water and plant
23 service water systems at the station on
24 October 1st, 2018.

25 The proposed process modification will

1 replace the batch halogenation process that currently
2 occurs approximately two to three times per week.
3 Moving to the continuous halogenation injection process
4 will improve the biofouling control effectiveness.
5 Biofouling includes an invasive Asiatic clam, various
6 species of algae, and the bacterium legionella
7 pneumophila.

8 Prior to submitting the application, an
9 engineering report on a proposed halogenation and
10 dehalogenation process was reviewed by Ecology and EFSEC
11 and approved on October 19th, 2018, by EFSEC. The
12 modification to the NPDES Permit retains the batch
13 halogenation process of the cooling water system as a
14 backup process in the event that continuous monitor
15 becomes inoperable for any reason.

16 The proposed changes to the permit mean that
17 the facility will continuously monitor the total
18 residual halogens, also referred to as TRH, and require
19 regular reporting of the TRH concentrations. The
20 modification also clarifies the point of compliance for
21 PH downstream of the dehalogenation tie-in to outfall
22 001.

23 In terms of compliance with the State
24 Environmental Policy Act, or SEPA, the proposed
25 modification of the NPDES Permit does not require a new

1 SEPA threshold determination per the Revised Code of
2 Washington 43.21(c)030(2)(c) as the proposed changes
3 meet the intent and purpose of the existing NPDES
4 Permit; and two, the monitoring requirements for the
5 proposed change to the halogenation and dehalogenation
6 system will not be less stringent than current
7 monitoring requirements. Do you have any questions on
8 that so far?

9 CHAIR DREW: Any questions? Go ahead.

10 MS. MOON: Thank you. So if there are no
11 other questions, Staff will proceed with our request of
12 the Council to take action on a tentative determination
13 to approve the Draft NPDES Permit, which would allow
14 Staff to notice the draft permit modification and draft
15 fact sheet for a minimum 30-day public comment period.

16 CHAIR DREW: Okay. I think before we take
17 up that action, Ms. Bumpus was going to talk about the
18 process.

19 MS. BUMPUS: Yes. Thank you, Chair Drew and
20 Councilmembers. Good afternoon. So as Ms. Moon
21 discussed, this would allow us to move forward with a
22 minimum 30-day public comment period. Staff is going to
23 recommend that we have a public hearing on the NPDES
24 Permit where we would hear oral comment. We would
25 propose that we do that in the Richland, Washington,

1 area near the Columbia Generating Station facility.

2 Right now, we are thinking that we should
3 move the February Council meeting to Wednesday, February
4 20th. The 18th is a holiday, so normally our Council
5 meeting would be that Tuesday, but we propose that we
6 move the Council meeting, the monthly Council meeting,
7 to February 20th, and go ahead and have our Council
8 meeting there in Richland, Washington. That evening on
9 the 20th, we would have the public hearing where we
10 would take any public comment on the NPDES Permit.

11 And we also are aware that Councilmembers
12 have expressed an interest in going to the Columbia
13 Generating Station facility for a site tour, and we've
14 been working with Energy Northwest staff on that. And
15 we right now have plans to take you there on the
16 Thursday after the meetings on February 21st, and it
17 would be in the morning.

18 Joan will be sending an email out to
19 Councilmembers with more details. We are still working
20 to pin down the venues where the Council meeting will be
21 held. We are thinking right now that the venue where
22 the public hearing would be held in the evening is going
23 to be different than where the Council meeting will be
24 held. So she's going to be sending you more details
25 about the locations and the times for those activities

1 as well as more information about the site tour plan for
2 the 21st.

3 CHAIR DREW: Okay. So what I'd like to do
4 now is ask if there is a motion to approve the NPDES
5 Permit modification draft in order to take public
6 comment.

7 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: Chair, I will move to
8 approve the draft NPDES amendment in order to move
9 forward with the public comment.

10 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Is there a second?

11 MR. STEPHENSON: I'll second.

12 CHAIR DREW: Are there questions about the
13 permit modification draft? Okay. All those in favor,
14 say "aye."

15 COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

16 CHAIR DREW: All those opposed? I think I
17 heard everyone on aye, so the motion is adopted.

18 So with that, you've heard that the plan
19 is -- so please take a look at your calendars, and we
20 would plan to travel I think the morning of the 20th and
21 return the afternoon of the 21st from Richland,
22 Washington, overall to both have our Council meeting and
23 this hearing and for those who are able to attend a tour
24 of the Columbia Generating Station.

25 I would like to also mention that this is

1 not open to the public facility because of the national
2 security issues. So that would be a tour for
3 Councilmembers and Staff only.

4 Is that correct?

5 MS. BUMPUS: That's correct.

6 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Any questions on that?

7 We will continue to be in communication with you, then.

8 Moving on to the 3rd quarter cost
9 allocation, Mr. Posner.

10 MR. POSNER: Good afternoon, Chair Drew,
11 Councilmembers. So as we do at the beginning of each
12 quarter, we recalculate our nondirect cost allocations.
13 Those are the percentages that get charged to the
14 different projects that EFSEC regulates. And we look at
15 the -- the Staff technical work that's been done in the
16 past quarter and then also looking at -- looking ahead
17 to the anticipated work, and then we come up with these
18 percentages. So I will go ahead and read off the
19 percentages for the 3rd quarter fiscal year 2019, which
20 runs January 1st, 2019, through March 31st, 2019.

21 So the percentages for this quarter are
22 Kittitas Valley Wind Project, 9 percent; the Wild Horse
23 Wind Project, 9 percent; Columbia Generating Station, 25
24 percent; the Columbia Solar Project, 13 percent; WNP 1,
25 4 percent; Whistling Ridge Energy Project, 3 percent;

1 Grays Harbor 1&2, 13 percent; Chehalis Generation
2 Project, 11 percent; Desert Claim Wind Project, 10
3 percent; and Grays Harbor Energy 3&4, 3 percent. And
4 that concludes my presentation.

5 CHAIR DREW: Okay. Any questions?

6 Okay. Thank you.

7 We have one special presentation. In the
8 chamber here is Ms. Ann Essko, and she went off and
9 retired. So I will now read the resolution that we have
10 in front of us.

11 Commending services of Senior Assistant
12 Attorney General Ann Essko.

13 Whereas, Ann Essko has served as Senior
14 Counsel for the Washington State Energy Facility Site
15 Evaluation Council;

16 And whereas, Ann Essko served the Council
17 with distinction as Senior Counsel from January 2003
18 through September 2006 and August 2012 through November
19 2018;

20 And whereas, Ann Essko has ably represented
21 the interests of the citizens of the State of Washington
22 by providing legal advice during her service to the
23 Council;

24 And whereas, Ann Essko has participated in
25 multiple Council meetings over approximately ten years

1 of service to the Council;

2 And whereas, Ann Essko, upon her return to
3 serve as EFSEC Senior Counsel in 2012, immediately began
4 preparing for the difficult task of arguing before the
5 Washington Supreme Court, the merits of a petition for
6 judicial review on the Whistling Ridge Wind Project;

7 Whereas, Ann Essko, through her detailed
8 review of an administrative record of several-thousand
9 pages, was able to present thoughtful and legally
10 convincing arguments before the Washington Supreme
11 Court, which affirmed the Council's recommendation and
12 the governor's decision for the Whistling Ridge Wind
13 Project;

14 And whereas, Ann Essko actively participated
15 with Council's activities during the review of the
16 application filed by Tesoro Savage for the Vancouver
17 Energy Project, including participation in public and
18 State Environmental Policy Act, public meetings, and a
19 five-week adjudicative hearing;

20 And whereas, Ann Essko tirelessly reviewed
21 and analyzed the largest adjudicative record for an
22 EFSEC project, and provided critical input to the
23 development of a 430-page adjudicative order and
24 101-page recommendation report on the Vancouver Energy
25 Project, both the longest in EFSEC history;

1 And whereas, Ann Essko as lead attorney for
2 the Office of the Attorney General worked in a
3 dedicated, selfless manner under extremely tight time
4 frames to provide the necessary input to assist the
5 Council in completing the Vancouver Energy Project
6 recommendation to the governor in December 2017;

7 And whereas, Ann Essko's work ethic,
8 professionalism, patience, integrity, and attention to
9 detail has contributed greatly to the Council's
10 collaborative decision-making process;

11 And whereas, Ann Essko has served as an
12 effective and dedicated attorney representing the
13 Council for ten years.

14 And now, therefore, be it resolved that the
15 Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council hereby
16 recognizes Ann Essko's vital contribution to the Council
17 over her years of service and expresses its gratitude
18 for her exemplary service and devotion as Senior Counsel
19 for EFSEC -- to EFSEC. Dated this 15th day of January
20 2019.

21 Is there a motion?

22 MR. STEPHENSON: I will move to approve this
23 resolution.

24 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

25 Is there a second?

1 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: And I will be happy to
2 second that motion.

3 CHAIR DREW: Any comments?

4 Mr. Stephenson.

5 MR. STEPHENSON: Thank you, Chair. Ann has
6 been wonderful. She has also been sometimes slightly
7 difficult for this Council, and I hope that her new --
8 the new counsel is just as difficult and just as clear
9 on staying with the law and holding us -- our feet to
10 the fire. Thank you.

11 CHAIR DREW: Thank you.

12 All those in favor, say "aye."

13 COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

14 CHAIR DREW: Resolution is adopted. Thank
15 you.

16 And with that, we are adjourned.

17 (Adjourned at 2:02 p.m.)

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