

# Close Washington's Only Nuclear Power Plant



Photo: Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Seattle City Light Co-owns  
the Columbia Generating Station  
at Hanford, WA

## New Studies Highlight Economic & Earthquake Risks

Ratepayers could **save \$1.7 billion** if the Columbia Generating Station (formerly WPPSS 2) were closed. This is the conclusion of economist Robert McCullough, who helped expose the Enron scandal.

*"Aside from the inherent dangers embedded in nuclear power, the economics of CGS no longer makes sense. The plant should be displaced."*

*"Economic Analysis of the Columbia Generating Station" by McCullough Research, 2013*

Additionally, CGS **was not designed to withstand quake risks now known** to exist. Recent geologic evidence indicates that earthquake threats in this area could exceed the design standards by more than three times.

*"No seismic structural upgrades have been made (at CGS) despite all of the geologic evidence ...over the past thirty years which has dramatically increased the seismic risk at this site,"*

*Consulting engineering geologist Terry L. Tolan.*

The full report, cited in Newsweek, the Wall St. Journal, the New York Times, and elsewhere, is at [www.mresearch.com/reports.html](http://www.mresearch.com/reports.html).

## TAKE ACTION!

**Call on Seattle city leaders  
to protect us from the  
Columbia Generating Station**

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