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**Retirement Date Set for Colstrip 1 & 2:
Opportunities Abound for Clean Renewable Energy in Montana**

Renewable Northwest applauds the diverse parties for resolving clean air litigation over Montana's coal burning power plants, Colstrip Units 1 and 2, and agreeing that they will retire no later than July 2022.

In an historic agreement reached between Puget Sound Energy, Talen Energy, Sierra Club, and Montana Environmental Information Center, shutting down two of the nation's oldest and dirtiest coal-burning power plants will reduce an estimated 5 million tons of carbon pollution each year.

"This will create opportunities for Montana to develop its abundant wind and solar energy resources, generate clean electricity to meet market demands, and free up existing transmission lines to deliver that electricity to customers throughout the region," said Rachel Shimshak, Executive Director of Renewable Northwest. "This is another great step for the region as it leads the country toward a clean energy future."

Renewable Northwest will continue working with our members and allies to defend, advance, and implement policies that promote responsible expansion of clean, renewable energy throughout the Northwest.

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Absaroka Energy
American Wind Energy Association
Atkins
Avangrid Renewables
Bonneville Environmental
Foundation
Center for Energy Efficiency &
Renewable Technologies
Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon
Climate Solutions
Columbia Gorge
Community College
Community Renewable
Energy Association
DNV GL
EDF Renewable Energy
EDP Renewables
Environment Oregon
Environment Washington
Eurus Energy America
EverPower
GE Energy
Geothermal Resources Council
Green Mountain Energy
HDR Engineering, Inc.
Idaho Conservation League
Invenergy
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Kapla Law PLLC
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Information Center
MontPIRG
Natural Resources
Defense Council
NextEra Energy Resources
Northwest Environmental
Business Council
Northwest SEED
NW Energy Coalition
OneEnergy Renewables
Oregon Solar Energy
Industries Association
OSPIRG
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Water Enterprises
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