

1 EXECUTIVE BOARD

2 RESOLUTION NO. 1466

3 A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO DETERMINE  
4 THE POTENTIAL OF THE GLOBAL NUCLEAR ENERGY  
5 PARTNERSHIP AND THE ASSETS OF THE TRI-CITIES TO  
6 PROVIDE A SAFE, RELIABLE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY  
7 RESPONSIBLE SOURCE OF POWER THAT IS NOT  
8 DEPENDENT ON FOREIGN SOURCES

9 WHEREAS, as part of the President's *Advanced Energy Initiative*, whose  
10 purpose is to develop innovative advanced reactors and new methods to recycle  
11 spent nuclear fuel, the *Global Nuclear Energy Partnership* (GNEP) will develop and  
12 demonstrate Advanced Burner Reactors; and

13 WHEREAS, the Advanced Burner Reactor will provide an improved nuclear  
14 fuel cycle that enhances energy security and nonproliferation; and

15 WHEREAS, recycling spent nuclear fuel will enable a nuclear repository such  
16 as Yucca Mountain to handle U.S. waste for a full century; and

17 WHEREAS, the Tri-Cities, Washington, area has unique organizations,  
18 facilities, qualified scientists, engineers and labor that are needed to fully participate in  
19 Generation IV and GNEP advancements; and

20 WHEREAS, testing and certification of nuclear fuels and materials requires a  
21 reactor such as the Fast Flux Test Facility reactor; and

22 WHEREAS, the GNEP mission will guide future US and international  
23 expansion of commercial nuclear energy for power production and will result in the  
24 creation of jobs for thousands of highly skilled workers and promote advances in  
25 education in the sciences and in the trades; NOW, THEREFORE,  
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BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Energy Northwest Executive Board supports efforts to develop the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership and to determine how the assets of the Tri-Cities can be leveraged to improve program costs and schedules and ultimately its success.

ADOPTED by the Executive Board of Energy Northwest this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2006.

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

  
Secretary

  
Counsel