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Greetings; My name is John Griffith, & I am member of PERS 2. I read Section 8 and am interested in what would be required to have your committee consider my work group to determine if it should qualify under your review criteria. I am a member of the Nuclear Security guard force at the Energy-Northwest commercial Columbia Generating Station near Richland, WA. The physical & psychological standards to qualify for these positions is pretty rigorous. Our older security officers in their 60's are expected to meet the same physical requirements as newly hired employees in their 20's. These qualifications become much more challenging and difficult for our older members to meet. An earlier retirement option could allow members to separate from employment in better health on more favorable terms. Please let me know if you would need additional information to consider this request, or any other information that is pertinent to this inquiry. Respectfully, John Griffith