

Dear Administrator Wright,

Thank you for taking my comments in support of the Public Interest Proposals for the post 2006 contracts with utilities. I believe BPA has a tremendous opportunity to save wild salmon, make the Northwest an economic leader and to craft an energy plan that will protect business, workers, consumers and the environment.

I urge you to adopt the Public Interest Proposals (PIP) because it will create more certainty around prices and energy supply, plot the best fiscal course for the Northwest and protect the environment and human health.

I strongly favor the Public Interest Proposals for the following reasons:

1. They will save working money by creating a hedge against fluctuating fuel prices
2. They will provide more certainty in our energy supply and prices
3. They will support local communities by creating new jobs in the region and revitalizing the commercial fishing and recreational industries
4. They will help Bonneville protect wild salmon in the rivers by giving salmon an equitable voice in determining how the river is run and creating a hedge against situations when the agency would violate its legal responsibility to salmon
5. They will provide enormous environmental benefits in the form of cleaner air, water, public lands and human health

Thank you for taking the time to consider my input. I sincerely hope that you will take advantage of the momentous opportunity that Bonneville has to stimulate economic growth, provide the most certain long-term rate relief to consumers and protect the environment.

Sincerely,

Richard Conlin
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cc: Governor Gary Locke
Senator Patty Murray
Senator Maria Cantwell