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Dear Sir:

I am writing to you as a small business owner employing over forty people in the Seattle area. If the Snake River Dams were removed, creating a lessening of available power in Washington State, our company would be severely impacted by "brown-outs." Our machinery must complete jobs before items lose fusibility, and changes in temperature in some processes would prevent achieving the proper processing profiles. These would both create terrific problems in quality control and rework time. On top of this, the general hindering of business for us and companies like us in this area could create an economic distress in this area equal to the Great Depression.

I understand the pressures being applied to get dams removed. However, there have to be other solutions to the problems underlying these requests, and I should think that the Corps of Engineers would relish the challenge of finding these solutions!

Thank you for listening to my view and my needs.

Sincerely,



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