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Dear Member:

At the last Board of Directors meeting, your board of directors discussed the breaching of the Snake River dams, and were unanimous in their desire to oppose the breaching. As a company we are writing a letter to the U. S. Army Corp of Engineers stating our opposition to dam breaching. We are also asking you to consider expressing your opinion on this matter.

Our membership, numbering over 400, and representing many different areas, could be a potent voice in the dam breaching debate. As you may be aware, proponents of dam breaching have stacked many of the meetings throughout the region. Public comments in some of the meeting have been overwhelming in their support for dam breaching. The Corps has assured the public that written comments will be given equal weight as the comments taken at the regional meetings.

With this in mind, if you agree that breaching the dams is not a viable option, we have enclosed a letter that you can use in either its entirety or as a base upon which to expand. If you chose to use the enclosed letter, all you have to do is sign it and include your address. If you have additional comments you may write them on the back. Written comments must be received before March 31, 2000, so time is of the essence. You may also want to forward these comments to your congressional delegation and governor.

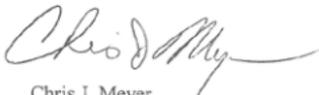
If you prefer, you may e-mail your comments to: salmonstudy@usace.army.mil

Your board and management feel that this is a very important issue and will directly affect the health of our agricultural well being. If the 4 lower Snake River dams are breached, the dams on the Columbia River will be next. If that happens, the economic impact would change forever the face of agriculture in the Northwest.

Sincerely yours,



Steven Hill
President, Board of Directors



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General Manager