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Dear Steve:

Thank you for staying the course on reducing Summer Spill in spite of a lack of support from other federal agencies. It is unfortunate that July could not be included this year given the enormous expense for a few listed salmon. I hope you will insist that the reduction in spill and the measures used to improve the number of returning adults will be thoroughly monitored. By thoroughly monitoring the effects of the reduced spill package, better decisions can be made in 2005 and beyond.

It is troubling that NOAA at the eleventh hour, submitted impact numbers that are not credible, and made them stick. We urge you to demand that NOAA test their conservative numbers with real data at every opportunity.

It is essential that BPA not allow the cessation of August spill to slip away as the July spill has.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



M. Steven Eldrige
General Manager and CEO

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