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1 TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND
2 TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY,
5 BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION:

6 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
7 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully
8 represent and petition as follows:

9 WHEREAS, The Federal dams on the Columbia river system have caused
10 the decline of several stocks of wild salmon and steelhead in the state
11 of Washington; and

12 WHEREAS, The damage has been reflected throughout Washington as
13 recreational and commercial fishers have sought to fish elsewhere; and

14 WHEREAS, Hatcheries have been constructed by state agencies at
15 state expense to rebuild fisheries that have declined as a result of
16 the dams; and

1 WHEREAS, The cost of power to operate these hatcheries is into the
2 millions of dollars; and

3 WHEREAS, The Bonneville Power Administration is the federal agency
4 partially responsible for the decline of salmonid stocks both inside
5 and outside the Columbia river Basin;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the
7 Department of Energy, Bonneville Power Administration fund electric
8 power costs for all state-funded hatcheries located in Washington
9 state.

10 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
11 transmitted to the Honorable George Bush, President of the United
12 States, the Department of Energy, Bonneville Power Administration, the
13 President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of
14 Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of
15 Washington.