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OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

Project No. 1971-079—ID/OR
Hells Canyon Hydroelectric Project
Idaho Power Company

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Reference: Postponement of Section 10(j) Meetings

Dear Addressee:

By letter September 28, 2006, we informed you that we had scheduled a meeting to attempt to resolve inconsistencies between fish and wildlife agency recommendations and applicable law, pursuant to section 10(j) of the federal Power Act, on October 17 through Thursday, October 19, 2006, in

Boise, Idaho. On October 3, 2006, we were contacted by phone by Jim Esch of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, indicating that representatives of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife had discussed the meeting date and request that the meeting be postponed until after close of the comment period for the draft environmental impact statement, currently scheduled for November 3, 2006.

We agree to postpone the meeting, and will contact you shortly to determine a mutually agreeable date.

If you have any questions, please contact Alan Mitchnick at (202)502-6074, alan.mitchnick@ferc.gov, or Allan Creamer at (502)502-8365, allan.creamer@ferc.gov.

Sincerely,

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