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Secretary, Federal Power Commission,
Washington, D.C.

Oct. 24, 1954

Dear Sir:

The Wanapum band of non-treaty Indians of Priest Rapids have asked that I convey their appreciation for the courtesy shown regarding the granting of a permit for exploring the development of the Priest Rapids Dam site.

They say to tell you that it makes them feel good to know that something like the proviso pertaining to their burial grounds, is contained in the permit, as many people will be coming into the area to "dig" around.

They are out now, attempting to earn a little money picking apples and potatoes, before the winter freeze comes.

They are hopeful that any license subsequently issued may contain a similar reminder, not as a binding rule but as a reminder of the humane element.

I do not believe that their principal graveyard would be endangered by a low dam, but the Wanapums have conveyed their assurance of cooperation that even if it does, they, unlike other people up and down the river, will not object and press for another location for the dam, if the one chosen is the most practicable from the viewpoint of the permit holder.

The conduct and attitude of these few historic people, in contrast to the usual "greedy" attitude of treaty tribes pursuing excessive claims, and their honesty, is, as I have told them, their best assurance of fair and just treatment in the future.

Sincerely

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For: Puck Hyahoot, head man.