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Mr. Murray Clamen
Secretary, Canadian Section
International Joint Commission
234 Laurier Avenue West, 22nd Floor
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Dear Mr. Clamen:

This is in response to the request by the Canadian Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Commission (CCRIFC) concerning the Grand Coulee Dam, further to the discussion during the Commission's semi-annual meeting with Governments on October 21, 2005.

There are many complex issues arising from this request that we have been examining, including the comments from interested parties that have been submitted. In addition, there have been several recent developments that warrant our consideration, prior to providing the Commission with our considered views. As a result, I would like to respectfully request a further extension of the deadline for interested parties to submit their views, until February 28, 2006.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Tobias Nussbaum
Director
U.S. Relations Division