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The Honorable Ken Salazar Secretary U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street, NW Washington D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I am writing to request your review and prompt response to Siskiyou County's concerns regarding the Department of Interior's actions concerning the Agreement in Principle (AIP) to remove hydroelectric facilities in the Klamath Basin. As you are probably aware, I represent a diverse range of stakeholders that are and will be greatly affected by the process commencing from this agreement.

Siskiyou County has raised numerous issues, such as a lack of certainty in the AIP that there will be a sufficiently detailed analysis of the economic impacts to the County, and an overall lack of transparency in the process. For these reasons I would like to bring your attention to their recent correspondence concerning a lack of communication from the Department of the Interior with the local government in these ongoing negotiations. I would strongly encourage the Department to review and respond to their correspondence in a timely manner.

Thank you in advance for your attention and assistance. I look forward to working with you on this issue.

Sincerely,

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