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Mr. Tom Karier, Washington Council Member
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Mr. Stephen Wright, Administrator and Executive Director
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Mr. Pat Reiten, President
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Dear Mr. Karier, Mr. Wright, and Mr. Reiten,

I applaud the efforts of the Northwest Energy Efficiency Taskforce (NEET) to increase the region's energy efficiency through greater regional collaboration.

Long-term, competitively priced energy supplies are critical to the well-being and future of Idaho and the region. The continued pursuit of cost-effective conservation and energy efficiency helps to maintain electric rates at competitive levels while also providing local jobs. I am confident that this collaborative process will help the various regional entities work together to leverage our individual efforts.

Paul Kjellander, administrator of the Idaho Office of Energy Resources, has been participating in the NEET process on behalf of the State of Idaho. He has kept me informed on the progress of the taskforce and I am looking forward to your final product.

As Always – Idaho, "Esto Perpetua"

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C.L. Butch Otter".

CLO/sg

C.L. "Butch" Otter
Governor of Idaho