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Clearwater Dams Association  
Orofino,  
Idaho

Gentlemen:

While on a recent trip to the Northwest  
I picked up your folder promoting Bruce's Eddy  
Dam.

Our most recent information about this  
proposed project is that the Pacific Northwest  
Power Company was granted a permit. Will you  
please advise us as to the current status of the  
project, and if it has been determined that the  
Pacific Northwest Power Company is not going to  
build the dam, would you tell us what thought  
has been given to construction of the project by  
others?

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

  
Alfred C. Shepard

ACS:mh

*Bob -*  
*This was turned in by Bob,*  
*but*  
*OK. I'll toss it back to you -*  
*why don't you answer it - you can do it so*  
*well and so easy - Thanks. B.*

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May 22, 1957

Alfred C. Shepard  
F.S. Smithers & Co.  
1 Wall Street  
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While on a recent trip to the Northwest  
I picked up your folder promoting Bruce's Eddy

Dear Mr. Shepard:

In reply to your letter of May 15, 1957 concerning the Bruce's Eddy project and your letter written to the Clearwater Dams Association of Orofino.

The Pacific Northwest Power Company has been granted a permit to study the Bruce's Eddy site. They are still very much interested in the possibilities of a partnership plan where by they could build and pay for the hydro-generation and transmission lines. Much of the benefits on the Bruce's Eddy project as studied by the Army Corps of Engineers is for flood control and navigation. It is not feasible strictly as hydro-generation, according to the Army Corps of Engineers, since flood control and navigation in the optimum development of the North Fork of the Clearwater River is so important.

No legislation for partnership construction has been introduced into this Congress. Senator Chavez of New Mexico has included the Bruce's Eddy project in his ominous bill Senate 497 introduced January 1957 in the 85th Congress. The legislation in this instance calls for straight federal construction. Hearings have been held in the public works committee, the bill has cleared this committee as well as the U. S. Senate with mild opposition from Senator Newburger and Morris of Oregon, who are principal spokesmen of Wildlife Organizations and are opposed to the development. At the present time we feel that the legislation will be introduced permitting them to participate before construction time.

We are very glad that you are interested in the Bruce's Eddy project and I hope that you will not overlook an opportunity to give our project a boost should an occasion be presented.

Sincerely yours,

A.B. Curtis, Mayor

ABC/rj

*Handwritten notes:*  
OK. See letter to...  
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