

(The following resolution was unanimously passed at the regular spring session of the North Idaho Chamber of Commerce. The North Idaho Chamber of Commerce covers 11 North Idaho counties of: Bonner, Boundary, Kootenai, Shoshone, Latah, Benewah, Lewis, Nezperce, Idaho, Clearwater and Lemhi.)

RESOLUTION No. 2

WHEREAS the Secretary of the Interior and the President of the United States have effectively spelled out the administration's new policy for partnership development of the power resources of the nation, showing willingness of the federal government to share construction of hydro-electric development wherever local agencies or companies shall find feasible projects; and

WHEREAS, investor owned, tax-paying utilities have asked the Federal Power Commission for permission to make intensive investigation of two major projects in northern Idaho, with intent to fulfill all the desirable multi-purpose phases of such construction as projected tentatively by the U. S. Corps of Army Engineers; and

WHEREAS, the critical power needs of north Idaho and Washington by 1959 and 1960 will be drastically beyond the capabilities of exclusive federal construction schedules and can only be met with the help of private initiative and enterprise; and

WHEREAS, the threat of devastating floods continues to annually bring urgency to the reservoir construction needs of the Clearwater river drainage basin;

NOW THEREFORE the North Idaho Chamber of Commerce, in conference assembled at Grangeville, Idaho this 8th day of May, 1954, does hereby endorse the current efforts of the Pacific Northwest Power Company to meet the urgent needs of its five members for power generation in this area by constructing the Bruce's Eddy and Penny Cliffs dams, and does hereby urge the congress to effect legislation that will make partnership in such a river development a reality.