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Statement Regarding Draft Klamath Hydro Electric Agreement

We are grateful to the numerous stakeholders for their hard work and tremendous effort to reach this critical point in an effort to achieve a Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement.

Our top priority has and continues to be protecting our customers in terms of cost and liability. This final draft agreement marks another significant milestone toward establishing the framework that ensures our customers' best interests are front and center, no matter what the ultimate public policy decision becomes in terms of dam removal.

The federal government and the states of California and Oregon have made their intentions quite clear that they prefer a presumptive path toward dam removal, and we have negotiated with them and the numerous stakeholders in good faith to keep our customers out of legal harm's way and keep their costs and risks as low as possible when compared against the option of relicensing the dams.

We recognize that we have many customers on all sides of these complex issues in the Klamath basin, and we look forward to hearing from them during the upcoming public process in which they will have a chance to help shape the ultimate outcome of these pending public policy decisions.

If the federal government and the states of California and Oregon sign onto this negotiated final settlement, then we will join with them and all the other stakeholder groups that may choose to sign the agreement, knowing that this is a balanced and reasonable outcome that best protects the interests of our customers, while achieving the policy objectives of the states and federal government, as well as helping to peacefully resolve numerous conflicts in the Klamath basin.



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