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3 By Representative Grant

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5 Beginning on page 1, line 5, strike everything through
6 "Washington." on page 2, line 11, and insert the following:

7 "We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
8 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully
9 represent and petition as follows:

10 WHEREAS, The Bonneville Power Administration was initially created
11 to provide low-cost power to rural areas, a tradition that it maintains
12 today; and

13 WHEREAS, The Bonneville Power Administration currently markets
14 power generated by twenty-nine federal dams; and

15 WHEREAS, The Pacific Northwest enjoys low electricity rates, thanks
16 largely to the Bonneville Power Administration and the power generated
17 by the federal dams; and

18 WHEREAS, Those rates would be seriously jeopardized by the sale of
19 the Bonneville Power Administration and the sale of the federal dams or
20 the right to market the power generated by those dams; and

21 WHEREAS, The sale of the Bonneville Power Administration and the
22 sale of the federal dams or the right to market the power generated by
23 those dams would threaten the long-standing relationship the Bonneville
24 Power Administration has established with the Northwest's public
25 utility districts and rural electric associations; and

26 WHEREAS, The Bonneville Power Administration currently contributes
27 a portion of its revenue to salmon restoration, and there is no
28 guarantee those funds would be available if the Bonneville Power
29 Administration is sold;

30 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the
31 President and Congress agree not to sell the Bonneville Power
32 Administration or the federal dams or the right to market the power
33 generated by those dams, and to allow the Bonneville Power
34 Administration to continue fulfilling its mission of providing low-cost
35 power to the Pacific Northwest.

36 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
37 transmitted to the Honorable William J. Clinton, President of the

1 United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker
2 of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the
3 State of Washington."

4 EFFECT: Petitions the President and Congress to refrain from
5 selling not only the BPA, but also the federal dams and the right to
6 market the power generated by the federal dams.

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