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To: People Interested in the Project to Mitigate and Restore White Sturgeon Populations in the Columbia and Snake Rivers

We would like to hear from you on Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) Preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) for the White Sturgeon Mitigation and Restoration in the Columbia and Snake Rivers Upstream from Bonneville Dam Project.

The Preliminary EA is enclosed for your review. Please send any comments you may have by **April 17, 2003** so that they may be considered in our decision on this project.

How to Comment: Choose the way you would like to comment: Write a letter to me at the address above. Call me toll-free at 1-800-282-3713 (or 503-230-5756 in Portland) and tell me your comments—if you hear my message recorder and wish to leave your comments at that time, please include your name and address and the name of the project. Otherwise, leave your name and number and I will return your call. Or e-mail me at caspiering@bpa.gov.

Proposal: The project would continue to carry out research, artificial propagation, transport of white sturgeon to less densely populated areas of the rivers, and hatchery rearing. Additionally, release of hatchery-reared juveniles is proposed. Actions will take place in the following Columbia River mainstem reaches: Bonneville, The Dalles, John Day, and McNary Reservoirs; Hanford Reach, as well as the Wanapum and Rock Island Reservoirs; and the following Snake River mainstem reaches: Ice Harbor, Lower Monumental, and Little Goose Reservoirs.

For More Information: If you need more information or have any questions, please call or e-mail me. Thank you for your interest in our work.

/s/ Colleen Spiering

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Enclosure:
Preliminary EA