

ARIZONA

Arizona Municipal Power Users Association

Arizona Power Authority

Arizona Power Pooling Association

Irrigation and Electrical Districts

Association

Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (also New Mexico, Utah)

Salt River Project

COLORADO

Colorado Springs Utilities

Intermountain Rural Electric Association

Platte River Power Authority

Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association, Inc. (also Nebraska, Wyoming, New Mexico)

Yampa Valley Electric Association, Inc.

NEVADA

Colorado River Commission of Nevada

Silver State Energy Association

NEW MEXICO

Farmington Electric Utility System

Los Alamos County

City of Truth or Consequences

UTAH

City of Provo

City of St. George

South Utah Valley Electric Service District

Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems

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Mr. Tom McClintock Mrs. Grace Napolitano

House Water and Power Subcommittee House Natural Resources Committee

RE: H.R. 678, the Bureau of Reclamation Small Conduit Hydropower Development and Rural Jobs Act

Dear Mr. McClintock and Mrs. Napolitano:

CREDA is a non-profit regional association comprised of firm electric service customers of the Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP). CREDA members are all non-profit entities, and include political subdivisions, state agencies, irrigation and electrical districts, tribal utility authorities and rural electric cooperatives. CREDA members serve over 4 million electric consumers in the states of Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming.

CREDA supports H.R. 678 as an important piece of legislation that will enhance small hydropower development while ensuring the principle of "beneficiary pays". As you are aware, the interrelationships between power and water customers of federal projects are complex and historical. H.R. 678 respects those relationships.

CREDA urges passage of H.R. 678 as an important step to enhance the development of clean, renewable hydropower resources.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie James

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Executive Director