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I am writing to you today to inform you about the Mousam River in Kennebunk, Maine. I happen to live on the Mousam River and am a Kennebunk Light and Power District (KLPD) rate payer. I find KLPD's plan for the dams of 'Surrender in Place' to be extremely negligent, obscene and self serving. The dams do NOTHING but hold back the natural migration of fish upstream. In fact, my son fished off of my land (above the Kesslan dam) for years without ever catching a fish. The water is too warm. KLPD's plan is strictly about money. They have absolutely zero concern for the environment. I've been to most of the meetings held by KLPD over the years regarding the dams. KLPD was very consistent about not wanting to hear any other opinions other than their own self serving ones. All of this time, they could have been working with environmental agencies to seek funding to offset their costs in doing the right thing by removing the dams, but they chose to dig in their heels. Now it's too late (this part infuriates me as a rate payer). There have been absolutely ZERO compromises on their part. Living on the river, I worry what will happen as the dams slowly deteriorate over the years. My property along with many others were severely flooded twice in the past decade.

The dams have been preventing migratory fish from seeking their spawning grounds ever since they were built. Requiring the dams to be removed is an invaluable opportunity to restore the river back to its original state. If the dams get removed, I will lose part of my beautiful water view from my house, however, I know that removing them is the right thing to do, and will create a healthier and still beautiful river.

I am begging FERC to see KLPD's 'Surrender in Place' plan for what it really is...a greedy money grab and a severe lack of responsibility. Please deny their request to 'Surrender in Place' and force them to remove all three dams. Everyone knows that it's the right thing to do.

Respectfully,

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