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Letter from Representative Burdick to Nelson Smith Regarding Garrison Dam and Fort Peck Dam, April 20, 1950

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April 20, 1950.

Honorable Nelson Smith, Commissioner,
Federal Power Commission,
1800 Pennsylvania Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Smith:

I would appreciate very much receiving the following information from your Commission:

- (1) What was the cost of building Fort Peck Dam, including installation of generating equipment, to date?
- (2) What was the proposed capacity of the dam in kilowatt hours?
- (3) How many generators were to be installed and their capacity?
- (4) How many have been installed and the productive capacity?
- (5) What is the annual cost of upkeep of the Fort Peck Dam?
- (6) Since construction of Fort Peck Dam have there been any breaks in the dam? If so, how many? Were any lives lost in any of these breaks? When was the last instance when the dam was repaired in any way? If repaired, what went wrong?
- (7) Have any of the generators at Fort Peck been reduced in size and capacity?

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(8) What is the proposed capacity of the Garrison Dam in Kilowatt Hours?

(9) What is the power capacity of the Garrison Dam at an elevation of 1830 feet above sea level?

(10) Will this extra 20 feet (1850) which the Army Engineers want be used for power development, or used for irrigation and diversion of water to central North Dakota.

Thanking you in advance for your kind attention to these inquiries, I am

Sincerely,

Usher L. Bardick, n. c. .

1800 P.A. Ave.

To Federal Power Commission:

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~~installing~~ generating
equipment.

What was the cost of building and fitting out Fort Peck Dam, to date?

What was the proposed capacity of the dam in Kilowatt Hours?

How many Generators were to be installed and their capacity?

How many have been installed and the productive capacity?

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When was the last instance when the dam was repaired in any way? If ² repaired, what went wrong?

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What is the Power capacity of the dam at an elevation of 1830 feet above ² sea level.

Will this extra 20 feet (1850) which the Army Engineers want, be used for power development, or used for irrigation and diversion of water to Central North Dakota?