



January 3, 2006

Mr. Steve Stoddard
Chief Executive Officer
Restaurants Unlimited Inc.
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Dear Mr. Stoddard,

On December 23, 2005, The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife along with the Hoh Nation adopted emergency rules on the Hoh River for *"Lower than normal numbers of wild steelhead expected to return to the Hoh River system this year."*

2005 was the third consecutive year that the Hoh River wild steelhead have not met spawner escapement goals. The situation is dire. Please see attached graph.

If you recall our March 7, 2005 letter, we requested that Restaurants Unlimited take wild steelhead, particularly "Hoh River Wild Steelhead," off the menus at your restaurants.

Now we are asking that you do not consider purchasing wild steelhead from the Hoh, or for that matter, wild steelhead from any Washington river (in case of mislabeling and fraud).

Do not provide a market for wild steelhead. Your purchases will only serve to hasten the demise of this magnificent fish. The Wild Steelhead Coalition (WSC) is an organization that is dedicated to increasing the return of wild steelhead to the rivers and waters of the Pacific Northwest. The WSC has been working for better conservation and management of wild steelhead and your purchase of Hoh River wild steelhead defeats that purpose. The Hoh River runs are being depleted due to constant Over harvest by the commercial fishery and continuing this excessive harvest will lead to a long term total closure of the river in the very near future.

The Wild Steelhead Coalition believes that as an environmentally conscious northwest company, you will join us in our fight to preserve this great game fish and precious natural resource.

Thank you,

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