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## **OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS**

Project No. 637-022—Washington Lake Chelan Hydroelectric Project PUD No. 1 of Chelan County

## January 31, 2011

Ms. Michelle Smith Licensing and Compliance Manager PUD No. 1 of Chelan County P.O. Box 1231 Wenatchee, WA 98807

Re: Whitewater Boating Monitoring Study Report

Dear Ms. Smith:

This letter is in reference to your 2010 whitewater boating monitoring study report, filed on January 21, 2011, pursuant to the approved whitewater boating monitoring plan for the Lake Chelan Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 637).

Article 407 of the project license required you to file a recreation resources management plan which included, in part, a whitewater boating monitoring plan pursuant to settlement agreement article (11)(h).<sup>1</sup> The whitewater boating monitoring plan requires you to submit annual reports to the Commission on or before June 1 for the previous year's whitewater boating monitoring study for the initial three years after the effective date of the license. On September 2, 2008, you were granted an extension of time to begin whitewater boating monitoring in 2009.

Your 2010 report details the second year of monitoring and includes: (1) the release schedule; (2) spill volumes; (3) a description of the reservation system and liability requirements; (4) participation results and use patterns; (5) the survey tool; and (6) survey results. The report also includes documentation of agency consultation and agency comments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The whitewater boating monitoring plan appended the recreation resources management plan. Both plans were approved by the April 14, 2008 order approving recreation resources management plan under article 407. See 123 FERC  $\P$  62,047.

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The report was sent to American Whitewater on December 29, 2010. Your report incorporates that comments that were received. Your 2010 whitewater boating monitoring study report meets the requirements of article 407. You are reminded that your next report is due no later than June 1, 2012.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202)-502-8674.

Sincerely,

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