

**FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Washington, D. C. 20426**

OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

**Project No. 943-110 – Washington
Rock Island Hydroelectric Project**

**Project No. 2145-096 – Washington
Rocky Reach Hydroelectric Project
Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan
County**

**Michelle Smith
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MAY 27 2009

Re: 2008 Annual Report – Implementation of Reasonable and Prudent Measures for bull trout

Dear Ms. Smith:

This acknowledges receipt of your 2008 Annual Report of Implementation of Reasonable and Prudent Measures for bull trout, filed with the Commission on April 14, 2009, for the Rock Island (FERC No. 943) and Rocky Reach (FERC No. 2145) Hydroelectric Projects. License article 415 for the Rock Island Project¹ and previous license article 412 for the Rocky Reach Project,² as well as the April 19, 2005 Orders Approving Bull Trout Management Plans³ require you to file an annual report with the Commission describing the impacts of the Reasonable and Prudent Measures and associated Terms and Conditions prescribed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for the protection of bull trout. The report should also list and describe any adverse effects resulting from project activities on bull trout, including the number and life stages of individuals affected.

¹ See 107 FERC ¶ 61,282 Order Amending License (Issued June 24, 2004)

² See 107 FERC ¶ 61,281 Order Amending License (Issued June 24, 2004)

³ See 111 FERC ¶ 62,070 Order Approving Bull Trout Management Plan Under Article 414 (Issued April 19, 2005 for the Rock Island Project) and 111 FERC ¶ 62,071 Order Approving Bull Trout Management Plan Under Article 411 (Issued April 19, 2005 for the Rocky Reach Project)

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Your report included the results of bull trout monitoring conducted in 2008 and a summary of all monitoring efforts since 2005, when monitoring began. You also report the results of 2008 juvenile bull trout passage monitoring, adult bull trout passage monitoring, monitoring for fish stranding, tissue sampling for genetic analysis, participation in the USFWS recovery plan, tributary habitat enhancement efforts, and general monitoring of juvenile and adult movement at the projects. Finally, you report that no incidental take was observed at either project during the 2005-2008 monitoring period.

Your filing adequately fulfills the requirements of the orders identified herein. Thank you for cooperation. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (202) 502-6795.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. Aedo", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John R. Aedo
Fisheries Biologist
Division of Hydropower Administration and
Compliance