

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

OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

**Project No. 637-061-Washington
Lake Chelan Hydroelectric Project
Chelan County PUD**

September 15, 2009

**Ms. Michelle Smith
Licensing and Compliance Manager
Chelan County PUD
P.O. Box 1231
Wenatchee, WA 98807-1231**

Subject: 2008 Stehekin Area Implementation Annual Report; Article 403

Dear Ms. Smith:

This letter acknowledges receipt of the material you filed March 25, 2009, to comply with license article 403 and the Stehekin area implementation plan approved on May 6, 2008. The approved plan requires you to file an annual report on work planned and completed with funding provided to the U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service (NPS), and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. According to your report, in 2008, the NPS collected baseline data on riparian vegetation, conducted osprey and eagle surveys, and explored dust abatement options. These same actions are planned for 2009.

Your filing fulfills the requirements of article 403 and the Stehekin area implementation plan. If you have any questions concerning your filing, please contact me at (202) 502-8915.

Sincerely,



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