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December 30, 2010

Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

**Subject: Wells Hydroelectric Project No. 2149-152  
Notice of Receipt of Water Quality Certification Application by Certifying Agency**

Dear Secretary Bose:

In response to a request from FERC Staff, the Public Utility District No. 1 of Douglas County, Washington (Douglas PUD), owner and operator of the Wells Hydroelectric Project (Wells Project), hereby submits for filing the Washington Department of Ecology's (Ecology) December 22, 2010 letter formally notifying Douglas PUD by certified mail that Ecology received Douglas PUD's Application for Water Quality Certification for the Wells Project on September 30, 2010.

If you have any questions, comments or require further information, please feel free to contact me at (509) 881-2208 or [sbickford@dcpud.org](mailto:sbickford@dcpud.org).

Sincerely,

Shane Bickford  
Natural Resources Supervisor

Enclosure: Letter from Ecology confirming receipt of Douglas PUD's application for Water Quality Certification for the Wells Project.

Cc with enclosure: FERC Service List -- Wells Project No. 2149-152

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing document has been served upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding via email or first-class mail.

Dated at Washington, D.C., this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010.

/s/ Aniko B. Noel

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December 22, 2010

Shane Bickford  
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Douglas County PUD  
1151 Valley Mall Blvd.  
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Subject: Wells Hydroelectric Project No. 2149  
Water Quality Certification Application

Dear Mr. Bickford:

This is formal notice that, on September 30, 2010, we received a copy of your application for a Clean Water Act Section 401 Certification for the proposed FERC re-license of the Wells Hydroelectric Project. The Project is located on the Columbia River, in Washington State.

As we've discussed, it is our intent to wait until after the draft EA/EIS is issued before releasing a draft 401 certification. After that, we have two separate comment periods before we issue the final 401 certification. On the current time schedule projected by FERC, we should be able to complete the 401 before the one year action deadline. If at that point the 401 certification is not complete, you may decide to withdraw the application and reapply.

If you have any questions, please contact Pat Irle at (509) 454-7864 or myself at (509) 457-7107.

Sincerely,

Charles McKinney  
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Water Quality Program

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