

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

Project No. 12690-000--Washington  
Admiralty Inlet Tidal Energy Project  
Snohomish County Public Utility District  
No. 1

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**Reference: Designation of non-federal representative to conduct informal endangered species consultation**

Dear Mr. Lohn and Grettenberger:

On November 5, 2008, Snohomish County Public Utility District No. 1 (Snohomish PUD) requested that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) designate it as the non-federal representative for the purpose of conducting informal consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act for the Admiralty Inlet Tidal Energy Project, which would be located in the Admiralty Inlet in northwestern Puget Sound. By this letter, the Commission designates Snohomish PUD as the Commission's non-federal representative to conduct informal consultation with your agencies.

The role of the non-federal representative includes conducting studies, developing and supplying information, attending meetings, ensuring that pertinent endangered species information is maintained in a project file, developing a draft biological assessment, participating in informal consultation with your agency, and keeping the Commission apprised of its actions. We recommend that

Snohomish PUD set up a meeting with your office to discuss how the informal consultation will be conducted.

If you have any questions please contact me at (202) 502-6091 or [david.turner@ferc.gov](mailto:david.turner@ferc.gov).

Sincerely,

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