

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

**OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS**

Project No. 12663-000—Washington  
Deception Pass Tidal Hydroelectric Project  
Washington Tidal Energy Company

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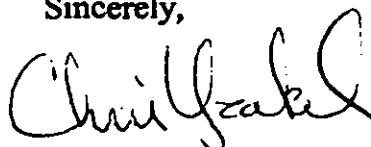
**Subject: Preliminary Permit Application**

*Dear Mr. Cooper:*

Your preliminary permit application for the Deception Pass Tidal Energy Hydroelectric Project No. 12663 has been accepted by the Commission for filing as of March 31, 2006. Federal, state, and local agencies will be informed in the Commission's public notices that a copy of the complete application may be obtained from you.

Within 5 days after you receive this letter, please send one copy of the application to the following: the Secretary of the Commission, the Commission's Portland Regional Office; the Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Affairs; the Oregon State Director, Bureau of Land Management, and; the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, North Pacific Office. A list of their addresses is enclosed. If you have any questions, you may contact me at (202) 502-8132.

Sincerely,



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Bureau of Land Management  
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