

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests**

June 22, 2006.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application:* Competing Preliminary Permit.

b. *Project No:* 12687-000.

c. *Date Filed:* June 14, 2006.

d. *Applicant:* Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County, Washington.

e. *Name of Project:* Deception Pass Tidal Energy Project.

f. *Location:* The project would be located in Deception Pass, between Whidbey Island and Fidalgo Island, in the Puget Sound in Skagit and Island Counties, Washington.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contacts:* Mr. Steven Klein, General Manager, P.O. Box 1107, 2320 California Street, Everett, WA 98206, (425) 783-8473.

i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Chris Yeakel, (202)-502-8132.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments:* 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. Please include the project number (P-12687-000) on any comments or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. *Competing Application:* Project No. 12663-000, Date Filed: March 31, 2006,

Notice Issued: May 2, 2006, Due Date: July 3, 2006.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) Four Tidal In Stream Energy Conversion (TISEC) devices consisting of, (2) rotating propeller blades 20 meters in diameter, (3) integrated generators, (4) anchoring systems, (5) mooring lines, and (6) interconnection transmission lines. The project is estimated to have a minimum annual generation of 20.7 gigawatt-hours per-year, which would be distributed by the Snohomish County Public Utility District.

m. *Locations of Applications:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

o. *Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit:* A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

p. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

q. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:* Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

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r. *Agency Comments:* Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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b. *Project No:* 12688-000.

c. *Date filed:* June 15, 2006.

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e. *Name of Project:* Rich Passage Tidal Energy Project.