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Jennifer Hill, Chief
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Division of Hydropower Licensing
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Sweetheart Lake Hydroelectric Project P-13563 60 day Study Plan response letter.

Dear Ms. Hill,

On November 26, 2012, Juneau Hydropower, Inc. (JHI) received the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Comments on Draft License Application for the Sweetheart Lake Hydroelectric Project. The letter discusses and comments on JHI's study plans and reports; content and format of the draft application and Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment; and implementation of the Alternative Licensing Process. Further JHI received a, "request to file within 60 days of the date of this letter, a plan and schedule for a study plan meeting with all interested licensing participants to discuss the study plans and study reports filed to date, and any additional data needs that will need to be addressed before the next study season commences. In addition, the next steps before the preparation of your final license application should be discussed".

JHI has scheduled a meeting for January 31st and February 1st, 2013, with all interested parties including resource agencies, tribes, and other interested stakeholders. The purpose of the meeting is to review studies performed; results to date; and address any additional information and study needs for the next study season. The meeting will take place at Centennial Hall in Juneau and will be available to participants outside the Juneau area via web presentations and telephonic participation. A copy of the agenda is attached to this letter. Specific dial in numbers and web connections will be provided to stakeholders in advance of the meeting.

A record of the meeting, an updated study schedule, and additional features to the communications protocol will be prepared following the meeting and submitted to the Commission as part of the project record.

The attached study matrix (suggested by USFS Energy Coordinator) is intended to assist FERC and other agencies in determining what has been studied and completed to date. The matrix is also intended to assist with tracking requirements and agency responses. The matrix is accurate to the best of our knowledge, but we are receptive to any agency input if there are inaccuracies and we will update it as necessary. Any suggestions for improvement to the matrix will also be welcomed.

Please contact me if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding the meeting.
Please do not hesitate in contacting me at (907) 789-2775.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Duff W. Mitchell". The signature is stylized with a large initial "D" and a long horizontal stroke.

Duff W. Mitchell
VP & Business Manager

Attachments:

2013 Study Plan Meeting Agenda
JHI Study Matrix as of January 20, 2013

**Juneau Hydropower Inc. 2013 Study Plan Meeting.
Sweetheart Lake Hydroelectric Project.
January 31, 2013
February 1, 2013**

**Hickel Room, Centennial Hall.
101 Egan Drive.
Juneau, Alaska 99801**

Power point presentations will be available over the web and a dial in number will be provided for Agency personnel that cannot attend in person.

Objective of Meeting: study plan meeting with all interested licensing participants to discuss the study plans and study reports filed to date that were based directly on: scoping meetings and scoping documents, and subsequent scoping comments. Data needs will be addressed before the next study season commences. The next steps before the preparation and submission for the final license application and conditioning will be integrated into the meeting segment discussions.

Issue, Available information, Needed information, Study plan to acquire information, and Results to address the issue.

January 31, 2013 9AM -5 PM. Hickel Room Centennial Hall, Juneau Alaska

9:00 AM Introductions

9:15 AM Project Overview & Design

10:00 AM Aquatics- Lake and Creek
Scoping, study results, go forward plan.

12:00 Light lunch served

12:30 Aquatics-Water Reservation and Hydrology Overview

1:30 PM Aquatics-Tidewater
Scoping, study results, go forward plan

3:30 PM Aquatics-Water Quality
Scoping, study results, go forward plan

4:00 PM Aquatics-Fish Collection and Transportation System Update (JHI)

February 1, 2013 9AM -5 PM. Hickel Room Centennial Hall, Juneau Alaska

9:00 AM Introductions

9:15 AM Wildlife-Studies All components
Scoping, study results, go forward plan

11:15 AM Geology-Overview (Schnabel-Gary Rogers will call in)

12:00 Light Lunch served

1 PM Terrestrial-Botany, Wetlands-all components
Scoping, study results, go forward plan

2:30 PM Recreational and Aesthetics
Scoping, study results, go forward plan

3:45 PM Cultural Studies
Scoping, study results, go forward plan

If you have any questions or would like to discuss matters related to the meeting and agency, please contact Duff Mitchell at (907) 789-2775 or duff.mitchell@juneauhydro.com

Sweetheart Lake Hydroelectric Project - list of study plans, agencies responses and dates and study report status.

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JHI Plan or Document	FERC Order Dates	Draft Plan issued	Review Comment Period ended	Agencies that responded within 30 days or at all	Agencies directly consulted by JHI	Final Plan issued, if needed	Agencies that responded within 30 days or at all	Date Study Report issued	Agencies that responded to study report	Date Updated Report issued	Agencies that responded to final study reports separate from PDEA
ORDERS & NOTICES											
Order issuing Preliminary Permit	12/14/2009										
NOI, PAD, ALP	7/27/2010										
Order-JHI non federal designee T&E	8/20/2010										
Order-JHI non federal designee Sec. 106	8/24/2012										
Noitce accepting NOI, PAD, ALP	9/24/2010										
Order Authorizing Communications Protocol	9/24/2010										
<i>Calls for 30 day review of major documents that include draft study plans</i>											
MAJOR STUDY DOCUMENTS											
Cultural Study Plan & Report		5/31/2011	6/30/2011	NONE	DIA,USFS,ADNR	10/27/2011	NONE	9/4/2012	NONE		
Terrestrial & Wetland Plan (includes Wildlife and Avian) & Reports		7/20/2011	8/19/2011	NONE	Yes	12/23/2011	NONE	9/4/2012	USFS		
which includes:					ADFG,USFS, USFWS,DIA			9/4/2012	USFS	10/22/2012	NONE
<i>Wildlife</i>					USFS, USFWS			9/4/2012	USFS		
<i>Goshawk</i>					USFS			9/4/2012	USFS		
<i>Botanical Rare Species</i>					USFS			9/4/2012	USFS		
<i>BE Sensitive Species</i>					USFS			9/4/2012	USFS		
<i>Botanical Invasive Species</i>					USFS			9/4/2012	USFS		
<i>Wetland Delineation Lake</i>					ACE			9/18/2012	USFS		
<i>Wetland Delineation Bay</i>					ACE			9/18/2012	USFS		
Aesthetic and Recreational Study Plan & Report		used scoping documents & comments			ADFG,NPS,USFS	1/13/2012	NPS	9/4/2012	NPS		
Aquatic Resources Study Plans & Reports		4/5/2012	5/6/2012	NOAA (5-17-12), ADFG e-mail							
<i>Tidewater Component</i>					DIPAC, USFS, ADFG, NOAA, USFWS,DIA			9/4/2012	USFS	10/30/2012	NONE
<i>Lake and Creek Component</i>					DIPAC, USFS, ADFG, NOAA, USFWS,DIA			9/4/2012	USFS	11/14/2012	NONE
Scoping Document 1	8/8/2011		10/7/2011	USFS,NOAA,USFWS,ADFG,NPS							
Scoping Document 2	2/1/2012		4/1/2012	NONE							
DLA & PDEA											
	8/31/2012		11/29/2012	NOAA, ADFG, USFS, USFWS, NPS,ADNR, DIA							
Requested Reports from Scoping											
Geology Report		used scoping document comments, no plan needed						8/31/2012	Component of Exhibit F CEII*		NONE
Mining Claims, Private Property		used scoping document comments, no plan needed			USFS					11/14/2012	NONE