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In reply refer to:  
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Mr. Patrick D. McCarty  
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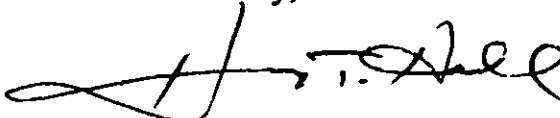
Dear Mr. McCarty:

This is to acknowledge your April 13, 2005 letter transmitting the Design Basis Report for the Prototype Fish Screen to be installed at the Cowlitz Falls Dam. The submittal was pursuant to Article 401 and Settlement Agreement Article 1 of the March 13, 2002 Order Approving Settlement and Issuing New License and Article 401 of the July 9, 2004 Order Amending New License for the Cowlitz River Project, FERC No. 2016.

The Design Basis Report is acceptable for proceeding with final construction plans and specifications for the fabrication and installation of the prototype fish screen. As stated in Ordering Paragraph E of the April 22, 2005 Order Approving Downstream Fish Passage and Collection Plan for Riffe Lake and Cowlitz Falls, you should submit three copies of the final plans and specifications and a quality control and inspection program to this office 60 days prior to the screen installation.

If you have any questions, please contact Messrs. Jeffrey A. Esterle or Erich Gaedeke of this office at (503) 552-2754 and 2716, respectively.

Sincerely,



Harry T. Hall, P.E.  
Regional Engineer