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Mr. Ron Doughten
Water Quality Permit Program Manager
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
700 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 600
Portland, OR 97232

Re: Notification of § 401(a)(2) requirements for the followings:
Bonneville Project, WA0026778
The Dalles Lock and Dam, WA0026701
John Day Project, WA0026832
McNary Lock and Dam, WA0026824
Ice Harbor Lock and Dam, WA0026816
Lower Monumental Lock and Dam, WA0026808
Little Goose Lock and Dam, WA0026786
Lower Granite Lock and Dam, WA0026794

Dear ~~Mr.~~ Ron Doughten:

The EPA is planning to issue NPDES permits for the above listed facilities. The facilities discharge pollutants to the lower Columbia River and the lower Snake River. Copies of the preliminary draft permits and draft Fact Sheets are enclosed.

The EPA has determined the permits may affect the quality of waters of the State of Oregon. Therefore, in recognition of the requirements of § 401(a)(2) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), we are notifying you of this action, and are providing the draft permits and fact sheets to you for your review.

In accordance with §401(a)(2) of the CWA, if the State determines that a discharge will affect the quality of its waters so as to violate any water quality requirements in the State, the State may notify the EPA in writing of its objection to the issuance of the permits. We plan to issue these permits by November 15, 2018. Therefore, we ask that you share any concerns you may have with these permit actions at your earliest convenience, but no later than November 1, 2018.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jenny Wu, of my staff, at (206) 553-6328 or wu.jennifer@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Lidgard, Manager
NPDES Permits Unit

Enclosure

cc: Beth Moore, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality