



October 8, 2012

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street N.E.  
Washington, DC 20426

**Subject: Spokane River Hydroelectric Project, FERC Project No. 2545  
Submittal of the Lake Spokane Dissolved Oxygen Water Quality Attainment  
Plan**

Dear Secretary Bose:

In accordance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) June 18, 2009 Spokane River Hydroelectric Project (No. 2545) License, Appendix B, Section 5.6.C and FERC's July 9, 2010 Order Amending the License to Include the Revised Water Quality Certification and Requiring a Dissolved Oxygen Water Quality Attainment Plan, Avista completed the Lake Spokane Dissolved Oxygen Water Quality Attainment Plan (DO WQAP).

FERC's July 9, 2010 Order required Avista to file the DO WQAP with FERC within 30 days of receiving approval from the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) or by September 1, 2012, whichever was earlier. On August 8, 2012, Avista requested a 90-day extension to file the DO WQAP and on August 23, 2012, FERC issued an Order Granting an Extension of Time, which extended the FERC filing deadline to December 1, 2012.

Avista submitted the DO WQAP to Ecology for initial review and approval on May 25, 2012. Avista subsequently revised the DO WQAP to incorporate Ecology's edits and comments. On September 27, 2012, Ecology approved the DO WQAP. The consultation record with Ecology is included as Appendix E of the DO WQAP.

With this, Avista is filing the Ecology-approved DO WQAP with FERC and upon FERC's approval will begin implementing it. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact Meghan Lunney of our office at (509) 495-4643.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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