

**FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
Washington, D. C. 20426

**OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS**

Project No. 12666-000—Maine  
Kennebec Tidal Energy Hydroelectric Project  
Maine Tidal Energy Company

Mr. Charles Cooper  
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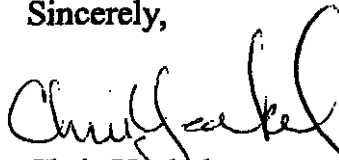
**Subject: Preliminary Permit Application**

**Dear Mr. Cooper:**

Your preliminary permit application for the Kennebec Tidal Energy Hydroelectric Project No. 12666 has been accepted by the Commission for filing as of April 3, 2006. Federal, state, and local agencies will be informed in the Commission's public notices that a copy of the complete application may be obtained from you.

Within 5 days after you receive this letter, please send one copy of the application to the following: the Secretary of the Commission, the Commission's New York Regional Office; the Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Affairs; the Director, Eastern States, Bureau of Land Management, and; the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, North Atlantic Office. A list of their addresses is enclosed. If you have any questions, you may contact me at (202) 502-8132.

Sincerely,



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