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
Maine Tidal Energy Company
1785 Massachusetts Ave., NW
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Washington, DC 20036

Subject: Preliminary Permit Application

MAY 9, 2006

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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