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Office of the Secretary
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Motion to Intervene
By the City of Petersburg d.b.a. Petersburg Municipal Power & Light
Application for Third Preliminary Permit
Cascade Creek Hydroelectric Project – FERC Project No. 12495-002
Cascade Creek LLC

Dear Secretary Bose:

Pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, PROTESTS, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS issued on March 15, 2011, and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the City of Petersburg d.b.a. Petersburg Municipal Power & Light (PMPL) herein files its Motion to Intervene in this proceeding.

The City of Petersburg is the community that would be most impacted by the proposed development that could jeopardize other current commercial uses, subsistence uses, and other resources uses within Thomas Bay by the residents of Petersburg. We do not see how issuance of a Third Preliminary Permit to CCLLC would be a benefit to our community or the Southern Southeast Alaska area and economy currently or in the foreseeable future. Specifically, PMPL states the following concerns:

- The overhead transmission line on Mitkof Island cannot be constructed as proposed by CCLLC as (1) the FAA will not allow overhead powerlines adjacent to or near the airport; and, PMPL will not allow overbuild of existing 24.9 kV distribution circuits.
- There is presently, and into the foreseeable future, no market for the power from the proposed project.
- The proposed interconnection into the SEAPA grid is an extremely critical issue. SEAPA has not been contacted regarding this interconnection.

PMPL states herein its support of the Motion to Intervene by the Southeast Alaska Power Agency (SEAPA) regarding CCLLC's proposed interconnection with the SEAPA grid in Southern Southeast Alaska. PMPL notes that it is a member of SEAPA.

Correspondence and communications concerning this motion should be addressed to:

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REQUEST

For the reasons stated above, the City of Petersburg d.b.a. Petersburg Municipal Power and Light (PMPL) requests that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission grant PMPL Intervener status in all proceedings regarding the Cascade Creek Hydroelectric Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Nelson".

Joe Nelson, Superintendent
Petersburg Municipal Power & Light

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