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John Kvandal
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RE: Field Testing of Two Marine Energy Converters in Sequim Bay, Clallam County, Washington

Dear John Kvandal:

On August 25, 2021, the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) received the Department of the Navy (Navy) Negative Determination for the above project. The proposed federal activity consists installing and testing two marine energy converters in Sequim Bay, Clallam County, Washington.

The purpose of the project is to advance the field of renewable energy research/marine hydrokinetic technology by exploring the feasibility of tidal energy generation using small-scale, crossflow turbines, and to improve design and operation of the devices. Two tidal turbines and the subsea cable route extending from the turbines back to the Marine Sciences Laboratory (MSL) dock. The turbines will be installed in the middle of the channel entrance, which has a width of 370 m. The turbines will sit less than 50 m east of the channel centroid, which is about 150 m from the shoreline. The turbines will be placed on the seafloor in water depths of 6 to 10 m MLLW, approximately 140 to 150 m from the end of the 30-m long MSL dock.

Ecology has reviewed the Navy's Negative Determination for the project and concurs that the project will have no effects to Washington's coastal zone resources and uses. Thus, the project does not trigger any of the CZMP's enforceable policies that are found in the Shoreline Management Act, the Water Pollution Control Act, Washington's Clean Air Act, the Ocean Resource Management Act, and the Marine Spatial Plan for Washington.

Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with the Navy's determination that the proposed project is consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the Washington CZMP.

Should you have questions or concerns regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Loree' Randall at (360) 407-6068 (office), (360) 485-2796 (cell) or loree.randall@ecy.wa.gov.

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do all of the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision:

- File your appeal and a copy of this decision with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this decision on Ecology in paper form by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503	Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608
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Sincerely,

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