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Washington, DC 20585

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Mr. Rob Antle
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Re: FOIA-2009-000061

Dear Mr. Antle:

The purpose of this letter is to provide a further response to your request for information that you sent to the Department of Energy (DOE) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552. You asked for briefing records that were prepared and provided to the incoming administration that reference hydroelectric projects in Canada and potential energy sales to the United States.

Your request was forwarded to the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Wind & Hydropower Technologies Program,for response. Pursuant to Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), section 1004.4(d), we conducted a search of the files and found no documents responsive to your request. However, we suggest you visit the International Energy Agency – Canada Country webpage[1] for more information on recent energy trends with regard to hydropower and other renewables.

You may challenge the adequacy of the search for responsive documents by submitting a written appeal to the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, HG-1/L'Enfant Plaza Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-1615. You should submit the appeal within 30 calendar days of receipt of this determination.

The written appeal, including the envelope, must clearly indicate that a FOIA appeal is being made. The appeal must contain all the elements required by 10 CFR 1004.8. Judicial review will thereafter be available: (1) in the district where you reside, (2) in the district where you have your principal place of business, (3) in the district where the DOE records are located, or (4) in the District of Columbia.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter. If you have any questions about this correspondence, you may contact Mr. Robert Whitson at (202) 586-4442.

Sincerely,

Jacques Beaudry-Losique
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[1] http://www.iea.org/textbase/country/m_country.asp?COUNTRY_CODE=CA

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