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Senate Energy Bill Passed by Committee Contains Hydropower and Marine Energy Provisions

Statement of NHA Executive Director Linda Church Ciocci

Washington, D.C. (July 30, 2015) – The following is a statement from Linda Church Ciocci, Executive Director of the National Hydropower Association, on passage of the Energy Policy Modernization Act of 2015 out of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee:

“We are pleased that the bipartisan Senate energy bill that passed out of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee today includes a number of provisions to support hydropower and marine energy deployment. We commend the committee leadership for their recognition of the importance of hydropower to our nation’s energy mix and the need to address some of the significant challenges that impedes the growth of waterpower in the United States. We also believe there is an opportunity to do even more to promote greater efficiency, timeliness and accountability in the hydropower regulatory process – a development timeline that can take up to a decade, which is far longer than other energy options.

“We look forward to working with the Senate and the House on such proposals as the legislative process advances.”

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