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Legislation would boost marine and hydrokinetic development

Statement of NHA Executive Director Linda Church Ciocci

Washington, D.C. (August 1, 2013) – The following is a statement from Linda Church Ciocci, Executive Director of the National Hydropower Association, on the introduction of the *Marine and Hydrokinetic Renewable Energy Act of 2013*:

"NHA is pleased to support the *Marine and Hydrokinetic Renewable Energy Act of 2013*. Marine and hydrokinetic, or MHK, technologies have the potential to significantly expand water power's contributions to the electric grid. The investment and regulatory efficiencies contained within this bill will be critical to move this segment of the industry to widespread commercialization.

"On behalf of the hydropower industry, NHA also praises the bill's sponsors, Senators Ron Wyden (D-OR) and Lisa Murkowksi (R-AK), for their continued support."

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