



February 22, 2017

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: FirstLight Hydro Generating Company, FERC Project Nos. 2485 and 1889
Study No. 3.1.2 *Northfield Mountain/Turners Falls Operations Impacts on Existing Erosion and Potential Bank Instability* Addendum

Dear Secretary Bose:

As part of the relicensing of FirstLight Hydro Generating Company's (FirstLight) Northfield Mountain and Turners Falls Hydroelectric Projects (FERC Nos. 2485 and 1889, respectively), FirstLight filed a Proposed Schedule and Process Plan for Remaining Study Reports on March 1, 2016 with the Commission. Included in this filing was the proposed methodology FirstLight would employ to examine the impacts, if any, of increasing the useable storage volume in the Upper Reservoir of the Northfield Mountain Project on streambank erosion throughout the Turners Falls Impoundment (TFI). This additional analysis was proposed in response to comments received from the National Marine Fisheries Service following its review of FirstLight's Draft License Application. In the March filing, FirstLight proposed to file the results of the analysis as an addendum to relicensing Study No. 3.1.2 *Northfield Mountain/Turners Falls Operations Impacts on Existing Erosion and Potential Bank Instability* (Study No. 3.1.2) by December 1, 2016. By letter dated November 18, 2016, FirstLight notified the Commission that it would be filing the addendum on March 1, 2017 at the same time as a number of other outstanding study reports.

On January 17, 2017, FirstLight filed the *Response to Stakeholder Requests for Study Modifications and/or New Studies Based on the Study Report and Meeting Summary*. Included in this document were responses to comments received for Study No. 3.1.2. As noted in the responses, FirstLight will be re-issuing the final report for Study No. 3.1.2 on April 3, 2017 to address a number of stakeholder comments. In order to align the submission of its analysis of the increased use of the Upper Reservoir with the other outstanding information with respect to Study No. 3.1.2, FirstLight will be filing the addendum on April 3, 2017 and not on March 1, 2017. The April 3 submission will consist of a re-issued final report for Study No. 3.1.2 incorporating all information outstanding at this time with respect to the study. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this modification to the schedule.

Sincerely,

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