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NORTHFIELD MOUNTAIN PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT STUDY

DISPUTE: PROPOSED REVISED STUDY PLAN

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E., Room 1A Washington, DC 20426

Dear Secretary Bose:

This letter is a supplement to the letter we previously filed under this docket on this day, May 2, 2014, and is intended to clarify the Fish and Wildlife Service's (Service) position on the resolution of the study dispute regarding the egg and larval entrainment study at the Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Project.

If the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission accepts the proposed study plan framework we previously filed, and requires First Light Power to develop a complete, detailed study plan in consultation with the Service and other parties that falls within the framework we have put forward, the Service will consider our dispute on the study resolved.

I hope this clarifies our position on the Study Dispute. If there are any questions about this letter, please contact John Warner of this office at 603-223-2541. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary May 2, 2014

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