



Northfield Mountain Station
99 Millers Falls Road
Northfield, MA 01360
Ph.: (413) 659-4489
Fax: (413) 659-4469
Email: alan.douglass@firstlightpower.com

Alan Douglass
Regulatory Compliance Manager

March 10, 2023

Via Electronic Filing

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

Re: Turners Falls Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1889), FirstLight MA Hydro LLC,
Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Project (FERC No. 2485), Northfield Mountain LLC,
Status Update No. 4 (03/10/23)

Dear Secretary Bose:

On January 12, 2023, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) directed FirstLight to file bi-weekly updates on the status of settlement discussions on relicensing of the Turners Falls and Northfield Mountain Projects through March 31, 2023. FERC also requested that any settlement agreement(s) be filed by March 31, 2023, and indicated it would delay the Ready for Environmental Assessment (REA) notices until May 31, 2023. Please find below FirstLight's fourth status update for the period February 25 to March 10, 2023.

Flows and Fish Passage Settlement Agreement

The Flows and Fish Passage Settlement Agreement was updated to include establishing variable flows to support conservation and recreation needs, which was emailed to signatories on March 3, 2023, for review and comment. A call was held on March 7, 2023, to solicit comments on the draft variable flow license article. A revised version of the draft variable flow license article was circulated on March 8, 2023. FirstLight anticipates being able to file the Flows and Fish Passage Settlement Agreement with FERC by March 31, 2023.

Recreation Settlement Agreement

On March 7, 2023, a meeting was held with a subgroup of the recreation stakeholders to discuss language in the Recreation Settlement Agreement. Discussions are continuing on the Recreation Settlement Agreement.

Turners Falls Impoundment Shoreline Erosion

There are no new status updates to report on shoreline erosion.

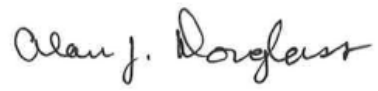
Cultural Resources

There are no new status updates to report on cultural resources.

Whitewater Recreation

As noted above, the Flows and Fish Passage Settlement Agreement was updated to reflect variable flows to support conservation and recreation needs, and a meeting was held to solicit comments on the draft variable flow license article.

If you have any questions regarding this status update, please feel free to contact me at the telephone number above.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan J. Douglass".

Respectfully,
Alan Douglass
Regulatory Compliance Manager