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Kimberly Bose Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street , N.E. Washington , District of Columbia 20426 *Via e-file*

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RE: Comment on Relicensing of Turners Falls Hydroelectric Project and Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Project, Franklin County MA and Windham County VT P-1889 and P-2485

Dear Ms. Bose:

We are in receipt of Section 106 cultural resource materials for the above-referenced relicensing project from consultant First Light dated January 23, 2015. The materials contained a Phase 1A archeological reconnaissance survey for several counties.

In addition, from subsequent email correspondence, we received additional explanation from First Light's Director of FERC Hydro Compliance to better understand the possible impacts of project-induced erosion.

On behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians, I offer the following comments:

- We wish to continue consultation on the project specifically for Windham County VT and Franklin County MA
- The high archeological sensitivity of the project area is of concern given the possible impacts from project-induced erosion. We wish to continue to receive the future surveys that will continue to assess these impacts so that we may make a project determination of effect.

Thank you & Kind regards,

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