



July 21, 2015

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

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

Re: FirstLight Hydro Generating Company, FERC Project Nos. 2485 and 1889; Notification of Updated Study Report Meetings September 29 and 30, 2015

Dear Secretary Bose:

Pursuant to the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC), Title 18 Code of Federal Regulations (18 C.F.R.) §5.13(c), the Commission issued its initial Study Plan Determination for the Turners Falls Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1889) and Northfield Mountain Pumped Storage Project (FERC No. 2485) on September 13, 2013.

Pursuant to 18 C.F.R. §5.15(f), no later than two (2) years from issuance of the Study Plan Determination, FirstLight Hydro Generating Company (FirstLight), licensee of the Projects, is required to file its Updated Study Report (USR). Because two (2) years from the Study Plan Determination falls on Sunday, September 13, 2015, FirstLight will file the USR with the Commission on Monday, September 14, 2015.

Furthermore, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. §5.15(c)(2), a meeting must be held with Commission staff and relicensing participants within 15 days of the USR filing, or by September 29, 2015, to discuss the study results. FirstLight is reserving September 29-30, 2015 (9:00 am to 5:00 pm) as meeting dates. These meetings will be held at the Northfield Visitors Center (99 Millers Falls Road, Northfield, MA 01360). Due to the number of studies (39), FirstLight will be providing a high level summary of each study. FirstLight intends to group studies by resource area: Fish and Aquatics, Water Quality, Hydraulics, Botanical, Recreation and Cultural. Once the agenda is finalized, FirstLight will upload it to its website: <http://www.northfieldrelicensing.com>.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Howard". The signature is fluid and cursive.

John Howard

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