

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

Project No. 1892-026 – New Hampshire / Vermont
Project No. 1855-045 – New Hampshire / Vermont
Project No. 1904-073 – New Hampshire / Vermont
TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.

Project No. 1889-081 – Massachusetts
Project No. 2485-063 – Massachusetts
FirstLight Hydro Generating Company

Doug Harris, Deputy Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Narragansett Indian Tribe
P.O. Box 268
Charlestown, RI 02813

Subject: Tribal Consultation with the Narragansett Indian Tribe

Dear Mr. Harris:

Thank you for your participation, along with members of the Nolumbeka Project, in a teleconference with Commission staff on August 5, 2015. In the teleconference, we discussed the Narragansett Indian Tribe's (Tribe) participation in the relicensing process for TransCanada Hydro Northeast Inc.'s (TransCanada) and FirstLight Hydro Generating Company's (FirstLight) above-referenced Connecticut River projects (projects). Specifically, we discussed how the Tribe could provide pertinent information about properties of religious and cultural significance that may lie within the projects' area of potential effects (APE), pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

In order to facilitate your involvement in the relicensing process, we formally request that the Tribe work with TransCanada and FirstLight to identify properties of religious and cultural significance that may lie within the projects' APE.

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If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Frank Winchell at (202) 502-6104.

Sincerely,

Robert Easton, Chief
New England Branch
Division of Hydropower Licensing

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