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Re: Temporary Reservoir Refill Monitoring Plan Modifications – Main Dam Seepage Remediation Project Silver Lake Development, Dead River Hydroelectric Project (FERC No.10855-01)

Dear Mr. Schlorke:

We have completed our review of the temporary modifications proposed to the monitoring frequency for Silver Lake's reservoir refill submitted with your November 18, 2016 letter. In general, the revised monitoring will change from several times per week to a two-week basis for the winter.

This revised monitoring frequency is acceptable. Your monitoring should return to the approved monitoring plan stated in our January15, 2016 letter as site access conditions allow in spring. You should note that monitoring frequency greater than weekly may be necessary even under difficult site access conditions for a rapidly rising reservoir due to a rapid snowmelt or heavy spring rains. All other conditions stated in our January 15, 2016 letter remain in effect.

You may contact Mr. David Olson at 312.596.4464 (<u>david.olson@ferc.gov</u>) or me at 312.596.4430 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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