STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION





June 14, 2021

Mr. Luke Anderson Brookfield Renewable for Topsham Hydro Limited Partnership 150 Main Street Lewiston, Maine 04240

RE: DEP APPLICATION # L-07867-33-S-N, PEJEPSCOT HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Application by Topsham Hydro Limited Partnership (Topsham Hydro) for water quality certification of the Pejepscot Hydroelectric Project (Project) was received at the Department of Environmental Protection on Wednesday June 9, 2021 and found to be acceptable for processing on June 14, 2021. Your application has been given the above reference number.

Acceptance of the application does not preclude the Department from requesting additional information and analysis during processing.

The Project will now be examined to determine whether a certification can be issued. The statutory deadline for the Department to reach a final decision on your application is June 8, 2022. No construction related to any proposed activities currently under review may be started prior to receiving a final decision from the Department.

Please feel free to contact me at (207) 446-2642 or Chris Sferra at (207) 446-1619 or via email at <u>Kathy.Howatt@maine.gov</u> or <u>Christopher.Sferra@maine.gov</u> if you have any questions regarding this project.

Sincerely,

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Kathy Davis Howatt, Hydropower Coordinator Bureau of Land Resources

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