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## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



## **Notification of Project Review**

<u>TO:</u> Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (DIFW) Environmental Project Review; John Perry – DIFW; Casey Clark – Maine Department of Marine Resources (MDMR), Sean Ledwin – MDMR; Kathleen Leyden – MDMR; Jim Vogel – Department of Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry; Maine Historic Preservation Commission (MHPC) Project Review; Meghan Rideout – MHPC; Tara Ayotte – Maine Emergency Management Agency; David Gardner – Maine Department of Transportation

**DATE**: September 14, 2023

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On August 22, 2023, Rumford Falls Hydro LLC submitted an application for a Water Quality Certification pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 *et. seq.* for the federal relicensing and continued operation of the Rumford Falls Hydroelectric Project (Project). The current Water Quality Certification was issued on December 7, 1992 (#L-17643-33-A-N). Federal regulations require the Department to act on this application within one-year, by August 21, 2024.

Application materials are available at the following website:

https://www.maine.gov/dep/ftp/HYDRO/WaterQualityCertifications/Rumford-Falls/

Please submit comments in a standalone document (i.e. letter or memorandum format) in an electronic format. We do not have timely access to paper mail.

Please also submit any additional Project-related documents or previous FERC filings that should be included in the Department's record.

The deadline for agency comments is 5:00 PM on November 14, 2023

**DEP Application** #: #L-024307-33-G-N **Applicant**: Rumford Falls Hydro LLC

Project Name: Rumford Falls Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 2333) Contact: Luke Anderson

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