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Notification/Request for Project Review

TO: Linda Bacon, Rob Mohlar, Jeanne DiFranco, DEP DEA; John Perry, Jason Seiders, Keel Kemper, DIFW; Sean Ledwin, Gail Whippelhauser, MDMR; Peter Rogers, MEMA; Randy Charette, MDACF; David Gardner, MDOT; Kirk F. Mohney, MHPC; Matt Buhyoff, NMFS; Julianne Rosset, USFWS

DATE: October 27, 2021

FROM: **Kathy Howatt, Project Manager and Hydropower Coordinator**
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This constitutes notification and a request for your agency's review of the project identified below and your submission of comments in accordance with our Memorandum of Agreement on Project Reviews. Questions may be directed to **Kathy Howatt**

This is a Water Quality Certification application.

The deadline for agency comments is: *December 1, 2021*

DEP Application: #L-19751-33-I-N

Project Name: SHAWMUT
HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Contact: Randy Dorman, Licensing
Manager:

Location: Fairfield-Benton

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Applicant Name: Brookfield White Pine
Hydro LLC

Tel #: (207) 755-5605

Application documents are available electronically at:

<https://www.maine.gov/dep/ftp/HYDRO/WaterQualityCertifications/Shawmut2021/>

Notes to Reviewers:

The Applicant proposed to operate the 8.65 MW Shawmut Hydroelectric Project under a new FERC license and plans to install and operate upstream and downstream fish passage facilities at the site of the Shawmut dam. The proposed project is located on the Kennebec River in the towns of Fairfield and Benton.

After a thorough review of our agency's standards, programs and responsibilities, the following comments are submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection.

(Comments must be signed and dated in order to be accepted by this Department. If additional space is needed, please attach another sheet).

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

Howatt, Kathy

From: Howatt, Kathy
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Subject: Shawmut Hydroelectric WQC-Agency Review Request
Attachments: agency_review_request_2021.pdf; agency_review_request_2021.doc

Good morning,

The Department has received a new application for water quality certification for the Shawmut Hydroelectric Project, located on the Kennebec River in Fairfield and Benton, and is requesting your agency review and, as appropriate, comments for consideration in its assessment of impacts from the Project on the State's resources. Application materials can be found at the Department's FTP folder, located here: <https://www.maine.gov/dep/ftp/HYDRO/WaterQualityCertifications/Shawmut2021/>. We appreciate your attention to this review request, let me know if you have any questions.

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