

May 8, 2023

VIA USPS

Re: Notice of Water Quality Certification Application to Owners of Property Adjoining the Green Lake Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 7189)

Dear Recipient,

Green Lake Water Power Company (GLWP) holds a license issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for the Green Lake Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 7189) located in Hancock County, Maine on Green Lake and Reeds Brook in the City of Ellsworth and the towns of Dedham and Otis. GLWP is in the process of obtaining a new license from FERC.

In order for FERC to issue a new license, GLWP must also apply for and obtain a Water Quality Certification (WQC) from the State of Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) under the provisions of the Clean Water Act. The MDEP WQC application process requires that GLWP provide notice of the WQC application to those landowners whose property abuts the Green Lake Hydroelectric Project, which is why you are receiving this letter. Notice of the WQC application is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this notice please contact me at 207-667-3322 or at caroline@greenlakewaterpower.com

Sincerely,

Caroline Kleinschmidt Relicensing Coordinator

Green Lake Water Power Company

Attachment: Notice

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE

MAINE WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

Please take notice that Green Lake Water Power Company of 120 Hatchery Way, Ellsworth, Maine 04605 - Phone: (207) 667-3322, is intending to file an application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection for a Water Quality Certification pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act, Section 401. The application is for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relicensing for the continued operation of the Green Lake Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 7189), located in Hancock County Maine on Green Lake and Reeds Brook in the City of Ellsworth and the towns of Dedham and Otis, under the terms of an initial or new license from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

The application will be filed on or about May 22, 2023, and will be available for public inspection at the MDEP's offices in Augusta during normal working hours. A copy of the application may also be seen at the municipal offices in Ellsworth, Dedham and Otis, Maine.

A request for a public hearing or a request that the Board of Environmental Protection assume jurisdiction over this application must be received by the Department, in writing, no later than 20 days after the application is found by the Department to be complete and is accepted for processing. Public comment on the application will be accepted throughout the processing of the application.

The review of and decision on this application, which concerns federally licensed activities in the Coastal Zone, shall also provide a basis for the State's consistency decision in accordance with the Maine Coastal Program pursuant to Section 307 of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act,16 U.S.C. § 1456. All public comments received shall be considered for consistency review purposes provided that the period for consistency review shall not begin until the applicant has filed the pertinent federal application and provided its consistency certification.

Written public comments may be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Land and Water Quality, 17 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333.

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