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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E., Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

**RE: Request for Extension of License Term for the Bellows Falls Project (P-1855),
Wilder Project (P-1892), and Vernon Project (P-1904)**

Dear Secretary Bose:

As the agency responsible for protecting fish and wildlife resources in New Hampshire, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFGD) monitors and attempts to reduce the impacts of hydroelectric facilities on fish and wildlife species and their habitats. The mission of the NHFGD is to conserve, manage and protect the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources and their habitats, and to provide the public with opportunities to use and appreciate these resources.

The Department received a copy of the Request for Extension of License Term for Bellows, Wilder and Vernon projects letter for review and comment. After reviewing the request for the extension as presented within the letter, the Department supports the one (1) year extension as requested to fulfill the licensing process; as well as, understand and concur with the need for additional time for conducting the required environmental research studies for these 3 projects.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on this very important relicensing project. If you have any questions regarding these recommendations, please do not hesitate to contact either Fisheries Biologist, Matt Carpenter at 603-271-3511 or Gabe Gries at 603-352-9669.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Glenn Normandeau".

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