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John Spain, P.E. Regional Engineer Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Division of Dam Safety and Inspections New York Regional Office 19th West 34th Street – Suite 400 New York, NY 10001

FERC Project No. 10675, 10676, 10677, 10678, and 2334 Release of Minimum Flows

Dear Mr. Spain:

Essential Power Massachusetts, LLC (EPMA) owns and operates the Dwight Project (FERC No. 10675), the Red Bridge Project (FERC No. 10676), the Putts Bridge Project (FERC No. 10677) and the Indian Orchard Project (FERC No. 10678) located on the Chicopee River in western Massachusetts. EPMA also owns and operates the Gardners Falls Project (FERC No. 2334) located on the Deerfield River in western Massachusetts. Passage of minimum flows in the river bypass reach is required at each project. On behalf of EPMA I am providing the annual report on minimum flow releases at the projects during 2016.

For the twelve months of the year 2016, EPMA met or exceeded the required flows at each project. Documentation of the release is available for review during the next operation and safety inspection. If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the release of minimum flows, please contact Kim Marsili at (413) 730-4721, email: <a href="mailto:kim.marsili@cogentrix.com">kim.marsili@cogentrix.com</a>

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