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17 May 2010

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20426

**RE: RECREATION USE AND FACILITY REPORT
MILFORD PROJECT (FERC NO. 2534) – ARTICLE 414
STILLWATER PROJECT (FERC NO. 2712 – ARTICLE 411
VEAZIE PROJECT (FERC NO. 2403) – ARTICLE 414**

Dear Secretary Salas:

Pursuant to the above-referenced articles, Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC (Milford and Stillwater) and PPL Maine, LLC (Veazie) have enclosed an original and eight copies of the "Recreation Use and Facility Report, May 2010" (Final Report). Each of the above-referenced articles require us to prepare a report that will include: (1) annual recreational and Indian cultural use figures; (2) a discussion of the adequacy of the project's recreation facilities at the project sites to meet recreation demand; (3) a description of the methodologies used to collect all study data; and (4) if there is a need for additional facilities, the licensee's design of recreational facilities and how such design takes into account the national standards established by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. This Final Report addresses each of these items.

Please contact me at (207) 827-5364 or shall@blackbearhydro.com with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Scott D. Hall
Manager of Environmental Services

Enclosures

Xc: M. Bennett, PPL Maine, LLC

RECREATIONAL USE AND FACILITY REPORT

MAY 2010

Milford Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2534) – Article 414

Stillwater Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2712) – Article 411

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Prepared by:

Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC on behalf of itself and PPL Maine, LLC

P.O. Box 276, Davenport Street

Milford, Maine 04461

RECREATIONAL USE AND FACILITY REPORT

MAY 2010

Background

By orders dated 20 April 1998, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued new licenses for the Milford (FERC No. 2534), Stillwater (FERC No. 2712), and Veazie (FERC No. 2403) hydroelectric projects, all of which are located on the lower Penobscot River in the state of Maine.

In those respective license orders, the Commission included Articles 414, 411, and 414 for the Milford, Stillwater and Veazie Projects, respectively, that required the licensee, after consultation with local, state, federal officials and the Penobscot Indian Nation, to “monitor recreational and Indian cultural use of the project area(s) to determine whether existing recreational facilities are meeting recreational and Indian cultural use needs.” The licensees’ monitoring effort was required to begin within six years from the issuance date of the license. In addition, the respective articles required that, every six years during the term of the licenses, the licensees’ file a report with the Commission on the monitoring results.

Specifically, each project license stated that the report shall include: (1) annual recreation and Indian cultural use figures; (2) a discussion of the adequacy of the licensee’s recreational facilities at the project site to meet recreational demand; (3) a description of the methodology used to collect all study data; (4) if there is a need for additional facilities, the licensee’s design of recreational facilities and how such design takes into account the national standards established by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; (5) documentation of agency consultation and agency comments on the report after it has been prepared and provided to the agencies; and (6) specific descriptions of how the agency comments are accommodated by the report. The requirement also provides for a minimum of 30 days for agencies to comment and make recommendations prior to filing the final report with the Commission.

By letter dated 13 April 2010 a draft of this Report was provided to the state and federal agencies, as well as the Penobscot Indian Nation and the municipalities of Old Town, Orono, Eddington and Veazie for their review and comment. It should be noted that we provided the draft Report to those municipalities that abut the project areas to solicit their input, if any, despite the fact that the articles themselves do not include all towns.

Because the Projects are located in close proximity to each other, the recreation use is similar, and the respective license articles are identical in their requirements, this report is organized to address each of the six items listed above with reference to individual projects, as applicable.

(1) annual recreation and Indian cultural use figures

In addition to the requirements listed in the previously discussed license articles, each of the projects are also required to collect recreational use data and file Form 80 Recreation Reports with the Commission, most recently as of 11 March 2009. These Form 80 Reports seek information regarding the licensee's annual recreational costs and revenues, public recreational use, and an inventory of recreational resources associated with each licensed project. In addition, by letter dated 8 July 2009 the licensees' requested that the consulting agencies and parties forward any data/information they may have regarding annual recreational or Indian cultural use associated with the three projects (see Attachment A – Consultation which contains the 8 July 2009 letter as an attachment). The licensees did not receive any responses to the 8 July 2009 requests.

(2) a discussion of the adequacy of the licensee's recreational facilities at the project site to meet recreational demand

As can be seen from the Form 80 Reports (see Attachment A – 8 July 2009 letter which contains the Form 80 Reports as an attachment), the use at the existing formal recreational facilities associated with each project (portage trails, trailerable boat launches, etc.) is considered light with Stillwater being the lowest use, followed by Veazie despite the existence of formal trailerable boat launches on both sides of the river, and then Milford which has numerous project and non-project related recreation facilities.

These data were collected for all recreation activities throughout all recreation seasons over the course of a calendar year within the respective project areas, including both Project-related recreational facilities and non-project facilities, i.e., the North Fourth Street boat launch that provides access to the Milford impoundment, but is owned and operated by the City of Old Town.

Given the annual use data collected by the licensees, as well as the apparent lack of any additional data from the consulted agencies and parties, it appears that the existing recreation facilities at the Milford, Stillwater and Veazie Projects are adequate to meet the area's recreation demand.

(3) a description of the methodology used to collect all study data

The Form 80 recreation use data for the Milford, Stillwater and Veazie Projects was collected between January 2008 and December 2008, in accordance with the January 2008 "PPL MAINE – HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS FERC FORM 80 RECREATION REPORTING PLAN" (Form 80 Plan). The Form 80 Plan outlines the Project's recreation facilities, data collection strategies, all facilities to be monitored, maps, data inventory forms and Form 80 Report forms that were used during this effort. Please refer

to Attachment A for additional information on the methodology – 8 July 2009 letter contains the Form 80 Recreation Reporting Plan as an attachment.

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Based on the light to moderate use of project-related and non-project recreation facilities, as reflected in the Form 80 Reports, and the lack of additional data/information documenting additional need for facilities, there does not appear to be a need for additional facilities at this time.

(5) documentation of agency consultation and agency comments on the report after it has been prepared and provided to the agencies

See Attachment A – Consultation for documentation of consultation efforts to date. In addition to the 8 July 2009 request for additional information/data, a draft of this Report and a request for comments was provided to consulting parties by letter dated 13 April 2010.

(6) specific descriptions of how the agency comments are accommodated by the report

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection provided a response confirming that it had no comments on the draft Report. No other comments were received.

ATTACHMENT A – CONSULTATION

Scott Hall

From: Murch, Dana P [Dana.P.Murch@maine.gov]
Sent: Friday, April 23, 2010 10:34 AM
To: Scott Hall
Subject: Comments on Draft Recreation Use Report for Milford, Stillwater & Veazie Projects

Scott, DEP has no comments on the above referenced draft report.

Dana Murch

blackBEAR Hydro Partners, LLC

Davenport Street
PO Box 276
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13 April 2010

**RE: RECREATION USE AND FACILITY REPORT (DRAFT)
MILFORD PROJECT (FERC NO. 2534) – ARTICLE 414
STILLWATER PROJECT (FERC NO. 2712 – ARTICLE 411
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Dear City, Town, Tribal and Agency Representatives:

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Please forward any comments to me by 13 May 2010, at which time we will, address any comments as necessary, and file the final report with the Commission.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance with this effort. As always, please don't hesitate to contact me at (207) 827-5364 or shall@blackbearhydro.com with any questions.

Sincerely,


Scott D. Hall
Manager of Environmental Services

Attachments

Xc: City of Old Town – Peggy Daigle
Town of Orono – Cathy Conlow
Town of Veazie – William Reed
Town of Eddington – Russell Smith
National Park Service – Duncan Hay
Penobscot Indian Nation – John Banks, Bonnie Newsom
Maine Department of Environmental Protection – Dana Murch
Maine Department of Conservation – Hydropower Coordinator

RECREATIONAL USE AND FACILITY REPORT

APRIL 2010 (draft)

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to Attachment C – Form 80 Recreation Reporting Plan for additional information on the methodology.

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(4) if there is a need for additional facilities, the licensee's design of recreational facilities and how such design takes into account the national standards established by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

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(5) documentation of agency consultation and agency comments on the report after it has been prepared and provided to the agencies

See Attachment A – Consultation for documentation of consultation efforts to date. The final Recreational Use and Facility Report will include additional documentation of consultation, including any comments in response to agency/party reviews of this draft report.

(6) specific descriptions of how the agency comments are accommodated by the report

Agency comments will be addressed in final report, as necessary.

ATTACHMENT A – CONSULTATION



July 8, 2009

Duncan Hay
National Park Service
North Atlantic Region
15 State Street
Boston, MA 02102

**RE: RECREATION AND INDIAN CULTURAL USE INFORMATION
REQUEST
MILFORD PROJECT (FERC NO. 2534) – ARTICLE 414
STILLWATER PROJECT (FERC NO. 2712) – ARTICLE 411
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Dear Duncan:

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We will use the FORM-80 data as well as any information you provide to prepare a draft report that will include: (1) annual recreational and Indian cultural use figures; (2) a discussion of the adequacy of the project's recreation facilities at the project sites to meet recreation demand; (3) a description of the methodologies used to collect all study data; and (4) if there is a need for additional facilities, the licensee's design of recreational facilities and how such design takes into account the national standards established by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. We will prepare the draft report for your review and comment and will subsequently file the final report with the Commission by 20 April 2010.

Please forward any data information you may have within 30 days of the date of this letter. In addition, if you think it would be helpful to meet to discuss/explain any

information you may have, please let me know within 30 days as well and I can try to arrange for a meeting if necessary.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance with this effort. Please don't hesitate to contact me at (207) 827-5364 or shall shall@pplweb.com with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Scott D. Hall
Manager of Environmental Services

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July 8, 2009

Peggy Daigle, City Manager
City of Old Town
150 Brunswick Street
Old Town, ME 04468

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Dear Ms. Daigle:

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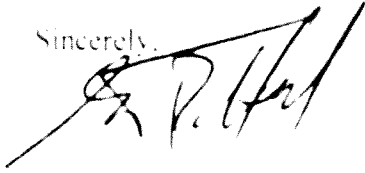
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July 8, 2009

John Banks
Penobscot Indian Nation
6 River Road, Indian Island
Old Town, ME 04468

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Dear John:

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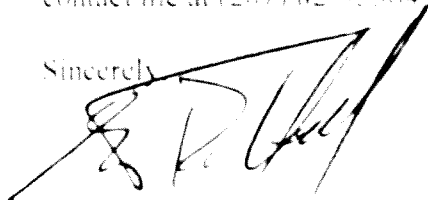
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July 8, 2009

Bonnie Newsom
Penobscot Indian Nation
6 River Road, Indian Island
Old Town, ME 04468

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Dear Bonnie:

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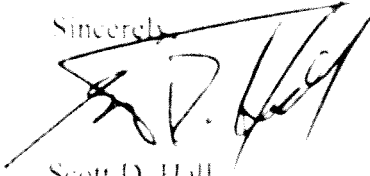
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Dana Murch, Dams & Hydropower Supervisor
Maine Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

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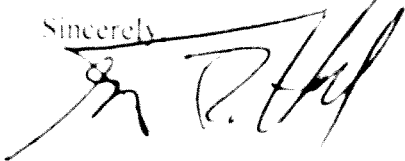
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Hydropower Coordinator
Bureau of Parks and Lands
Maine Department of Conservation
22 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

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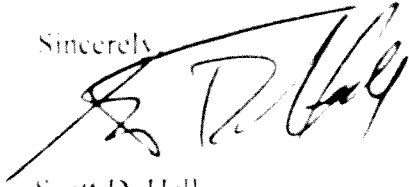
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**ATTACHMENT B – FORM 80
RECREATION REPORTS, 2009**

Licensed Hydropower Development Recreation Report

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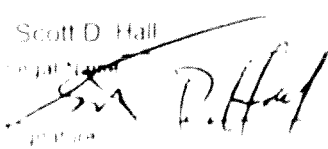
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Schedule 1. General Information

<p>1. Licensee Name <u>PPL Maine, LLC</u></p> <p>2. Project Name <u>Veazie Hydroelectric Project</u></p> <p>3. Project Number <u>2403</u></p> <p>4. Development Name <u>Veazie Hydroelectric Project</u></p>	<p>8. Reservoir Surface Area at Normal Pool (acres) <u>150.00</u></p> <p>9. Shoreline Miles at Normal Pool <u>6.00</u></p> <p>10. Percent of Shoreline Safely Accessible to the General Public by Land Travel without Trespassing <u>15.00</u></p>	
<p>States Development/Project Traverses (List state with largest area within the development/project boundary first)</p> <p>5. State #1 <u>ME</u></p> <p>6. State #2 _____</p> <p>7. Type of Project License Major <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor _____ (check one)</p>	<p>11. Data Collection Methods (enter percent for each method used, total must equal 100%)</p> <p>_____ traffic count/trail count</p> <p>_____ attendance records</p> <p><u>80.00</u> staff observation</p> <p>_____ visitor assessment</p> <p><u>20.00</u> estimate</p>	
<p>For the previous calendar year, enter only the licensee's annual recreational construction, operation, and maintenance costs for the development project. Also, enter the corresponding annual recreational revenues.</p>		
<p>Licensee's Annual Recreation Costs and Revenues (In Whole Dollars)</p>		
Item	Construction, Operation and Maintenance Costs	Recreation Revenues for Calendar Year
12. Dollar values	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
<p>13. Length of Recreation Season</p> <p>Summer: From (MM/DD) <u>04/01</u> To <u>10/14</u> Winter: From (MM/DD) <u>10/15</u> To <u>03/31</u></p>		
Period	Number of visits to all recreational areas at development/project (in Recreation Days)	
	Annual Total	Peak Weekend Average
14. Daytime	<u>1,100</u>	<u>0.25</u>
15. Nighttime	_____	_____

I, the undersigned, certify that I have examined this report and the best of my knowledge, all data provided herein are true, complete, and accurate.

Scott D. Hall

 Title: Manager Environmental Services
 Date Signed: 3/11/09
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Schedule 2. Inventory of Recreational Resources

For each facility, include the following information: (a) For Facility Capacity (c) of total available resources (b) (c) compare the average total amount of weekend use (during the recreation season) to the total capacity (d) (e) (f) with the total combined capacity of these resources to handle such use and enter a percentage that indicates their overall level of use. (g) Do not consider peak weekend use (see Glossary). For example, if all available Boat Ramps are used to half capacity during non-peak weekend days, enter 50%. For all available Boat Ramps that are used beyond their combined capacity, enter 100%. For all other facilities, enter 0%.

Recreational Resource Type	No. of Available Resources		Total Miles Acres	Facility Capacity Percentage
	Free Use	Fee (a)		
Access Areas No facilities (b) are adjacent to development project waters which can be used to each development project waters. Nearby waters below a dam which trespass on other property. Such areas can be used for launching boats and other water activities.	3		N/A	10
Boat Launch Areas Improved areas having one or more boat launching lanes and a. are usually marked with signs (b) have paved and concrete surfaces and usually have adjacent parking lots	2	2	N/A	4
Boat Launch Lanes The number of lanes are determined by the total number of boats that can be launched easily at the site. Paved boat launch areas are (c)	2	2	N/A	4
Marinas Public and Private facilities which are adjacent to the development project waters for the docking, fueling, repair and storage of boats and which include boats and equipment or sell bait or food			Acres	
White Water Boating Access areas below a dam that can be used for rafting, kayaking			N/A	
Canoe Portages Site located above and below a dam, diversion or other obstruction where persons can launch and take out canoes and the portage is paved and maintained trails connecting such sites			Miles	
Tankwater Fishing Facilities, Platforms, Walkways or similar structures to facilitate below-dam fishing			N/A	
Fishing Piers Structures which are installed and maintained in development project waters specifically for fishing. This code includes tankwater fishing facilities			N/A	
Picnic Designated areas which usually contain multiple use facilities (e.g. picnic sites, playgrounds, swimming beaches, and ball fields, individual tables, etc.) and (f) should be reported under the appropriate resource type (e.g. playground)			Acres	
Playground Areas Areas containing one or more play structures, swings, slides, etc.			Acres	
Trails Improved pathways used for non-motorized recreational travel which (a) can be located on a reference map and (b) are designated pursuant to type of use (hiking, bridle trail, cross-country skiing, snowshoes, etc.) This category excludes swimming areas			Miles	
Swimming Areas Sites providing access to development project waters where swimming facilities (bath houses, designated swimming areas, etc.) and water activities are available			Acres	
Picnic Areas Areas designated and maintained for picnicking and which contain one or more picnic sites, each of which includes a picnic table and picnic benches, tables, trash receptacles, and a parking area			Acres	
Wildlife Areas Natural sites and reserves specifically created and managed for the protection and propagation of wildlife and (c) are available to the general public			Acres	
Visitor Centers Buildings located on a site, pavilion or similar structure from which persons may obtain information about the development project to facilitate recreational travel which (a) can be located on a reference map and (b) are designated pursuant to type of use (hiking, bridle trail, cross-country skiing, snowshoes, etc.) This category excludes interpretive displays, picnic areas, exhibits and museums, which describe or explain archaeological, historic or prehistoric resources			N/A	
Overlooks Public areas to view natural areas project features (e.g. pull-offs or vistas)			N/A	
Hunting Areas Areas of private areas open to the general public for hunting			Acres	
Golf Courses Areas of golf areas, except miniature golf			Acres	
Cottage/Cabin Sites Structures which are seasonally rented by the public for recreational purposes			Acres	
Camping Areas (Campinggrounds) Areas containing two or more campsites, tent sites, or trailer/recreational vehicle (RV) sites which accommodate overnight stays. This category does not include group camps			N/A	
Tent Trailer/RV Sites The total number of sites within Camping Areas that have been specifically developed for tent trailer or RV sites. This category does not include sites within group camps			Acres	
Organizational Camps Camping areas that are maintained and operated by a specific entity but which may be used by other persons (e.g. Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.)			Acres	
Group Camps Camping areas which are equipped with facilities to accommodate use by the general public. These areas usually include an advance reservation system			Acres	
Winter Sports Facilities at site (e.g. ski, snowshoeing, sledging, ice skating, etc.)			Acres	
Other such as informal dispersed camping areas, unimproved trails, etc. (Specify)			N/A	

Glossary of FERC Form 80 Terms

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Development. The portion of a project which includes:

- (a) a reservoir, or
- (b) a generating station and its specifically-related waterways.

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General Public. Those persons who do not have special privileges to use the shoreline for recreational purposes, such as waterfront property ownership, water-privileged community rights, or renters with such privileges.

Licensee. Any person, state, or municipality licensed under the provisions of Section 4 of the Federal Power Act, and any assignee or successor in interest. For the purposes of this form, the terms licensee, owner, and respondent are interchangeable *except where*:

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Peak Use Weekend. Weekends when recreational use is at its peak for the season (July 4th weekend and other holiday weekends). On these weekends, recreational use may exceed the capacity of the area to handle such use.

Major License. A license for a project of more than 2,000 horsepower (1.5 megawatts) installed capacity.

Minor License. A license for a project of 2,000 horsepower (1.5 megawatts) or less installed capacity.

Recreation Day. Each visit by a person to a development (as defined above) for recreational purposes during any portion of a 24-hour period.

Revenues. Income generated from recreation facilities at project development. Includes fees for access or use of area.

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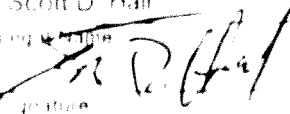
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<p>1. Licensee Name <u>PPL Maine, LLC</u></p> <p>2. Project Name <u>Stillwater Hydroelectric Project</u></p> <p>3. Project Number <u>2712</u></p> <p>4. Development Name <u>Stillwater Hydroelectric Project</u></p>	<p>8. Reservoir Surface Area at Normal Pool (acres) <u>300.00</u></p> <p>9. Shoreline Miles at Normal Pool <u>7.20</u></p> <p>10. Percent of Shoreline Safely Accessible to the General Public by Land Travel without Trespassing <u>40.00</u></p>	
<p>States Development/Project Traverses (List state with largest area within the development/project boundary first)</p> <p>5. State #1 <u>ME</u></p> <p>6. State #2 _____</p> <p>7. Type of Project License Major <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>11. Data Collection Methods (enter percent for each method used total must equal 100%)</p> <p>_____ traffic count/trail count</p> <p>_____ attendance records</p> <p><u>25.00</u> staff observation</p> <p>_____ visitor assessment</p> <p><u>75.00</u> estimate</p>	
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<p>Licensee's Annual Recreation Costs and Revenues (In Whole Dollars)</p>		
Item	Construction, Operation and Maintenance Costs	Recreation Revenues for Calendar Year
12. Dollar Values	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
<p>13. Length of Recreation Season Summer From (MM/DD) <u>04/01</u> To <u>10/14</u> Winter From (MM/DD) <u>10/15</u> To <u>03/31</u></p>		
Period	Number of visits to all recreational areas at development/project (in Recreation Days)	
	Annual Total	Peak Weekend Average
14. Daytime	<u>215.00</u>	<u>2.00</u>
15. Nighttime		

I, the project owner, affirm that the information provided in this report, to the best of my knowledge, all data provided herein are true, complete, and accurate.

Scott D. Hall

 Title
 Date

Manager Environmental Services
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 Date 3/11/09

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Recreation Report

Schedule 2. Inventory of Recreational Resources

Enter the data for each recreational resource (Type A - For Facility Capacity (f) of total available resources (b) * (c) compare the average total amount of weekend use (during the recreation season) reported in Schedule 1 (item 13) with the total combined capacity of these resources to handle such use and enter a percentage that indicates their overall level of use. Do not consider private weekend use but possibly include example of available boat ramps are used to half capacity during non-peak weekend days enter 50%. For all available boat ramps that are used beyond their combined capacity enter 100%.

Recreational Resource Type	No. of Available Resources			Total Miles/Acres	Facility Capacity Percent (f)
	User Fee (b)	User Fee (c)	No. FEM/Approved Resources (d)		
Access Areas - facilities developed but with no open seasonal sites which can be used to reach development project water including waters below a dam without trespassing on other property. Such areas can be used for launching boats or for swimming, fishing, etc. for recreational purposes.	1			N/A	10
Boat Launch Areas - Areas which have one or more boat launching areas and are usually marked with signs (b) have a launch area for each boat launch area. Usually have adjacent parking lots.				N/A	
Boat Launch Lanes - The number of lanes are determined by the total number of boats that can be launched easily at the marina (public and private facilities) adjacent to the development project waters for the docking, fueling, repair and maintenance and which sell boats and equipment or sell bait or food.				N/A	
White Water Boating - Access areas below a dam that can be used for rafting/kayaking.				N/A	
Canoe Portages - Site located above and below a dam, diversion or other obstruction where persons can launch and take out canoes and the portages are maintained and managed in development project waters specifically for fishing. This code excludes dam water fishing facilities.	1			Miles	10
Fishwater Fishing Facilities Platforms - ways of similar structures to facilitate below-dam fishing.				N/A	
Fishing Piers - Structures which are retained and maintained in development project waters specifically for fishing. This code excludes dam water fishing facilities.				N/A	
Parks - designated areas which usually contain multiple use facilities, e.g. picnic sites, playgrounds, swimming beaches and picnic areas, individual games within each park should be reported under the appropriate resource type (e.g. playground or picnic areas, etc.)				Acres	
Playground Areas - have playground equipment, game courts, tennis, jogging tracks, etc.				Acres	
Trails - improved pathways used for non-automobile recreational travel which can be located on a reference map and be a designated activity to type of use (e.g. hiking, bridge, trail, cross-country skiing). This category excludes swimming areas.				Acres	
Swimming Areas - provides access to development project waters where swimming facilities (bath houses, designated swimming areas, etc.) and other facilities are available.				Acres	
Picnic Areas - Areas designated and maintained for picnicking and which contain one or more picnic sites, each of which includes a picnic table and in some cases having job, trash receptacles, and a parking area.				Acres	
Wildlife Areas - Natural sites and reserves specifically created and managed for the protection and propagation of wildlife and the breeding of wildlife in their natural state.				Acres	
Visitor Centers - Located in a park position of similar structure from which persons may obtain information about the development project, interpretive displays, exhibits and related items of interest.				N/A	
Interpretive Displays - Facilities exhibits and museums which describe or explain archaeological, historic or prehistoric sites, structures, sites, areas, exhibits, artifacts and materials.				N/A	
Overlooks - Public areas to view natural areas project features, e.g. pull-offs or vistas.				Acres	
Hunting Areas - Public or private areas open to the general public for hunting.				Acres	
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Tent Trailer (RV) Sites - The total number of sites within Camping Areas that have been specifically developed for tent, trailer, or RV use. This category does not include sites with group camps.				Acres	
Organizational Camps - Camping areas that are maintained and operated by a specific entity but which may be used by other persons or groups. About 25% usually have recreation trailers, church camps, handicapped children camps.				Acres	
Group Camps - Camping areas which are equipped with facilities to accommodate use by the general public. These areas usually require explanation of advance reservation.				Acres	
Winter Sports - Any facility that would be used for winter sports, including ice skating or ice fishing.				N/A	
Other - such as informal dispersed camping areas, unimproved trails, etc. (specify)				N/A	

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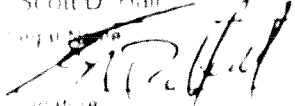
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Schedule 1. General Information

<p>1. Licensee Name: <u>PPL Maine, LLC</u></p> <p>2. Project Name: <u>Milford Hydroelectric Project</u></p> <p>3. Project Number: <u>2534</u></p> <p>4. Development Name: <u>Milford Hydroelectric Project</u></p>	<p>8. Reservoir Surface Area at Normal Pool (acres): <u>1,235.00</u></p> <p>9. Shoreline Miles at Normal Pool: <u>16.80</u></p> <p>10. Percent of Shoreline Safely Accessible to the General Public by Land Travel without Trespassing: <u>10.00</u></p>	
<p>5. State #1: <u>ME</u></p> <p>6. State #2: _____</p> <p>7. Type of Project License (check one): Major: <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Minor: <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>	<p>11. Data Collection Methods (enter percent for each method used; total must equal 100%)</p> <p>_____ traffic count/trail count</p> <p>_____ attendance records</p> <p><u>80.00</u> staff observation</p> <p>_____ visitor assessment</p> <p><u>20.00</u> estimate</p>	
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<p>Licensee's Annual Recreation Costs and Revenues (in Whole Dollars)</p>		
Item	Construction, Operation and Maintenance Costs	Recreation Revenues for Calendar Year
12. Dollar values	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
13. Length of Recreation Season	Summer From (MM/DD): <u>04/01</u> To: <u>10/31</u> Winter From (MM/DD): <u>10/15</u> To: <u>03/31</u>	
Period	Number of visits to all recreational areas at development/project (in Recreation Days)	
	Annual Total	Peak Weekend Average
14. Daytime	<u>150.00</u>	<u>4.50</u>
15. Nighttime	_____	_____

Keep a copy of this report in the licensee's project files that he/she reports this report on. If the licensee has no knowledge of data, a licensee may file a "0" to indicate that the data are not available.

Scott D. Hall



Director

Manager Environmental Services

Date Signed: 3/11/09

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Schedule 2. Inventory of Recreational Resources

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Recreational Resource Type	No. of Available Resources			Total Miles/Acres	Facility Capacity Percent (f)
	User Fee (b)	User Fee (c)	No. FHR Approved Resources		
Access Areas: No facilities, but have good view of scenic sites which can be used to reach development project waters including waters below a dam, or about, or across an other property. Such areas can be used for launching boats, fishing, swimming, or other water related purposes.	7			N/A	10
Boat Launch Areas: Structures that have one or more boat launching lanes and are usually marked with signs. Do have marked level of boat launching and usually have adjacent parking lots.	3			N/A	15
Boat Launch Lanes: The number of lanes are determined by the total number of boats that can be launched easily at the marked boat launching areas.	3			N/A	15
Marinas: Public and Private facilities which adjacent to the development project waters for the docking, fueling, repair and storage of boats, and which may include boats and equipment for sale or rental.				Acres	
White Water Boating: Access areas below a dam that can be used for rafting/kayaking.				N/A	
Canoe Portages: Site located above and below a dam, division or other obstruction where persons can launch and take out canoes and the required gear, and maintained trails connecting such sites.	2		2	N/A	10
Tow-water Fishing Facilities: Platforms, walkways or similar structures to facilitate below-dam fishing.				N/A	
Fishing Piers: Structures which are installed and maintained in development project waters specifically for fishing. This code includes saltwater fishing facilities.				N/A	
Parks: Designated areas which usually contain multiple-use facilities e.g. picnic sites, playgrounds, swimming beaches, and tennis courts. Individual facilities within each park should be reported under the appropriate resource type (e.g. playground).	1			Acres	10
Playground Areas: Areas with play structures, equipment, etc. available.				Acres	
Trails: Improved pathways used for non-motorable recreational travel which (a) can be located on a reference map and (b) are designated according to type of use (hiking, riding, trail bikes, snow mobiles, cross-country skiing). This category excludes all playgrounds.				Miles	
Swimming Areas: Sites providing access to development project waters where swimming facilities, bath houses, designated swimming beaches, and other facilities are available.				Acres	
Picnic Areas: Areas designated and maintained for picnicking and which contain one or more picnic sites, each of which includes a picnic table and some degree of shade, usually with restrooms, and a parking area.	1			Acres	10
Wildlife Areas: Natural sites and areas specifically created and managed for the protection and propagation of wildlife and the viewing of wildlife in the wild.				Acres	
Visitor Centers: Parks located in a park pavilion or similar structure from which persons may obtain information about the development project, its operation, recreational facilities, and related items of interest.				N/A	
Interpretive Displays: Facilities, exhibits and museums, which describe or explain archaeological, historic, or prehistoric sites, structures, areas, artifacts, and materials.				N/A	
Overlooks: Public areas to view scenic areas project features (e.g. pull-offs or vistas).				N/A	
Hunting Areas: Public areas open to the general public for hunting.				Acres	
Golf Courses: All types of golf areas, except miniature golf.				Acres	
Cottage/Cabin Sites: Structures, tents, which are seasonally rented by the public for recreational purposes.				Acres	
Camping Areas (Campgrounds): Areas containing two or more campsites, tent sites, or trailer/recreational vehicle (RV) sites.				N/A	
Tent/Rafting/RV Sites: The total number of sites within Camping Areas that have been specifically developed for tent, trailer, or rafting sites.				Acres	
Organizational Camps: Camps which are maintained and operated by a specific entity but which may be used by other persons. Includes youth camps, military base recreation camps, church camps, handicapped children camps.				Acres	
Group Camps: Camping areas which are equipped with facilities to accommodate use by the general public. These areas usually have a designated observation point.				Acres	
Winter Sports: All facilities and structures like skiing, sledding, ice skating, or ice fishing.				Acres	
Other: such as informal dispersed camping areas, unimproved trails, etc. (specify)				N/A	

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Glossary of FERC Form 80 Terms

Available Resources. Quantifies the availability of natural or man-made property or facilities for given recreational resource type. This includes all recreational resources available to the public within the development project boundary. The resources are broken into the following categories:

User Free (Schedule 2, column b) - Those resources within the development/project that are free to the public

User Fee (Schedule 2, column c) - Those resources within the development/project where the licensee/facility operator charges a fee

FERC Approved Resources (Schedule 2, column d) - Those resources within the development/project that are FERC approved. This includes specific recreation amenities, facilities, or sites required by the Commission in the license or license amendment document, including an approved recreation plan or report. This number does not necessarily have to equal the sum of user free and user fee resources

Development. The portion of a project which includes

- (a) a reservoir, or
- (b) a generating station and its specifically-related waterways

Exemption from Filing. Exemption from the filing of this form granted upon Commission approval of an application by a licensee pursuant to the provisions of 18 CFR 8.11(c)

General Public. Those persons who do not have special privileges to use the shoreline for recreational purposes, such as waterfront property ownership, water-privileged community rights, or renters with such privileges

Licensee. Any person, state, or municipality licensed under the provisions of Section 4 of the Federal Power Act, and any assignee or successor in interest. For the purposes of this form, the terms licensee, owner, and respondent are interchangeable *except where*

(a) the owner or licensee is a subsidiary of a parent company which has been or is required to file this form, or

(b) there is more than one owner or licensee, of whom only one is responsible for filing this form. Enter the name of the entity that is responsible for filing this report in Schedule 1, Item 2.1

Peak Use Weekend. Weekends when recreational use is at its peak for the season (July 4th weekend and other holiday weekends). On these weekends, recreational use may exceed the capacity of the area to handle such use

Major License. A license for a project of more than 2,000 horsepower (1.5 megawatts) installed capacity

Minor License. A license for a project of 2,000 horsepower (1.5 megawatts) or less installed capacity

Recreation Day. Each visit by a person to a development (as defined above) for recreational purposes during any portion of a 24-hour period

Revenues. Income generated from recreation facilities at project development. Includes fees for access or use of area

**ATTACHMENT C – FORM 80
RECREATION REPORTING PLAN**

**PPL Maine – Hydroelectric Projects
FERC Form 80 Recreation Reporting Plan**

January 2008

1.0 Introduction

PPL Maine must file Form 80 Recreation Reports for its licensed hydroelectric projects with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) by April 2009. These reports seek information regarding a licensee's annual recreation costs and revenues, public recreational use and an inventory of recreational resources associated with each licensed project. This plan of action is intended to gather the data necessary to complete Form 80 Reports for the following licensed projects:

- Veazie
- Orono
- Stillwater
- Great Works
- Milford
- Howland
- West Enfield
- Medway
- Ellsworth
- Graham Lake

In addition to the Form 80 filing requirements, PPL Maine must also be sure that the information it reports addresses any access and recreation obligations stated in its FERC project licenses. Specific requirements exist for the following projects.

- Veazie (Articles 413, 414)
- Stillwater (Articles 410, 411)
- Milford (Articles 412, 414)

Recreation and public access sites that are either within the project boundary or provide access to property within the project boundary are included. These generally include canoe portage trails, boat launches, shoreline-vicinity parking areas, waterfront parks and trails.

A sample data collection form is included in Attachment 1 of this report.

2.0 Project Recreation Facilities & Data Collection Strategies

The assumed study period for the annual recreation season being assessed for the Form 80 Reports is January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. This must include both a "summer" season (which includes spring fishing and boating use), and a "winter" season that addresses activities such as ice fishing, snowmobiling or cross-country skiing. There is no prescribed method that FERC requires for estimating the number of recreation days or determining facility capacity. Given the type of recreational facilities and opportunities that PPL Maine's hydroelectric projects offer, a random sampling of

periodic observations that includes both the spring/summer and winter seasons should meet FERC requirements. There is no need for intensive user surveys or interviews.

A sample recreation inventory form is provided in Attachment 4 and can be used by PPL Maine staff to record key data at each project. This information can then be used to complete Schedule 1 – Part 3 and Schedule 2 of the FERC Form 80 Report and be kept as a consistent office inventory form for each project

PPL Maine personnel (or hired seasonal staff) will record public recreational use at specific locations at its projects by counting vehicles at various parking areas associated with boat launches, fishing access areas or trail heads and adding actual counts of people at fishing areas. For non-PPL Maine facilities that provide recreational access to PPL Maine's project waters, PPL Maine chose to field monitor use at those facilities to ensure consistency with the method used at its own facilities.

A budget-conscious, yet FERC-defendable sampling schedule for visits to specific sites by PPL Maine personnel is itemized below. This schedule includes four spring season, ten summer season and four winter season observation days. Peak holiday weekend days, non-holiday weekend days and weekdays are included to form the basis for determining annual and peak weekend numbers of recreation days.

Spring Fishing Season:

Two weekend days: April 5, May 3

Two weekdays: April 24, May 15

Summer Boating/Fishing Season:

Two holiday weekend days: May 24, August 30

Three non-holiday weekend days: June 14, July 19, August 16

Five weekdays: June 26, July 25, August 7, August 21, September 11

Winter Recreation Season:

Two weekend days: January 19, February 9

Two weekdays: January 31, February 19

3.0 Recreation Facilities to be Monitored

The specific hydroelectric project recreation facilities or public access areas to be monitored by PPL Maine are stated below and are shown on the project maps in Attachment 1. All project controlled facilities will be monitored by PPL Maine personnel.

The non-PPL Maine facilities are owned and managed by either local towns, the State of Maine (Howland) or the University of Maine (Stillwater). If the data is collected by PPL Maine, it will remain consistent with the method and schedule used to collect its project controlled facility data.

Veazie

- Project controlled formal trailerable boat launch upstream of dam on the west side of the headpond.
- Project controlled formal trailerable boat launch in Eddington.

Orono

- Project controlled portage trail along west side of Orono Dam.

Stillwater

- Project controlled portage trail on west side of Stillwater Dam, including parking area used to access downstream end of trail.
- Hand carry boat launch off of Route 16 on west side of river and associated walking trail along river.
- Hand carry boat launch off of Route 2A on east side of river and associated University of Maine botanical trail.

Great Works

- Canoe portage trail on east side of Great Works Dam.
- Informal unimproved wooded riverfront trail south of Sandy Point Road.
- Old Town-managed public parks along west side of river below Milford Dam: Spencer Park and Binette Park (shoreline access, but no boat launches).

Milford

- Project controlled portage trail on east side of Milford Dam.
- Project controlled portage trail on west side of Gilman Falls Dam, including picnic table at take-out spot.
- Old Town-managed trailerable boat launch off North 4th Street.
- Penobscot Indian Nation-managed trailerable boat launch off of River Road on Indian Island.
- Hand-carry boat launch off of Route 2 near Sunkhaze Stream.
- Trailerable boat launch off of Route 2 in Costigan across from Feese Island.

Howland

- Formal state-owned trailerable boat launch on north side of river off of Route 116.

West Enfield

- Town-owned trailerable boat launch on west side of headpond.

Medway

- Project controlled portage trail on north side of Medway Dam.
- Project controlled trailerable boat launch on north side of headpond.

Ellsworth

- Project controlled hand-carry boat launch east side of headpond.

Graham Lake

- Project controlled canoe portage trail on east side of Graham Lake Dam and associated parking area.
- Project controlled trailerable boat launch off of Route 180 on west side above Graham Lake Dam.

Attachment 1

Sample Data Collection Form

