

**FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

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In reply refer to: P-10489

February 24, 2022

Via Electronic Mail  
Mr. Kevin Westhuis  
Utility Director  
City of River Falls  
kwesthuis@rfcity.org

Re: Decommissioning of Powell Falls Development  
River Falls Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 10489)

Dear Mr. Westhuis:

The FERC received the February 23, 2022 notice of completion of the required tasks and final construction report for decommissioning the Powell Falls Dam of the River Falls Project (P-10489). The filing is in response to the Commission's January 28, 2022 Order, Paragraphs (E) (provide documents to WDNR) and (F) (file a report documenting completion of decommissioning).

Your February 23, 2022 letter also provided the certifications required in D2SI-CRO's February 10, 2022 letter. We have determined that no additional site inspection is required. In addition, we confirmed with WDNR staff that the Commission's January 28, 2022 Order, Paragraphs (E) was satisfied and this was also confirmed via February 24, 2022 email. During that call, the ongoing and as-needed maintenance items to compliment the completed decommissioning tasks listed in Attachment A were discussed and were well received.

The project facilities have been decommissioned in accordance with the Commission's January 28, 2022 Order; the Powell Falls development is removed from the license. Please contact Mr. Scott Airato, P.E. at (312) 596-4431 ([scott.airato@ferc.gov](mailto:scott.airato@ferc.gov)) or me at (312) 596-4430 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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Regional Engineer