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November 12, 2012,

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

RE: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Notice of Intervention, for Bond Falls Hydro Project (FERC Project No. 1864-164) regarding submittal of an Amendment to License, on the Ontonagon River in Ontonagon and Gogebic Counties, Michigan, and Vilas County, Wisconsin.

Dear Secretary Bose:

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is hereby submitting this notice of intervention.

In accordance with 18 CFR 385.214, the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources files this Notice of Intervention, to ensure party status with respect to this preliminary permit. The basis for this Notice is as follows:

The State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, guided by the Wisconsin Constitution, Wisconsin legislation and Wisconsin common law, is charged with the management and protection of the natural resources of the State, and is the State of Wisconsin's fish and wildlife and water rights agency, charged with assuring protection and continued use of the State's resources. It is also the state agency that is charged with issuing water quality certifications and therefore may intervene by notice, pursuant to 18 CFR 385.214(a)(2). Thus, the Department may become a party by filing notice and hereby does so in this matter.

The Department has no comments to file with this Notice of Intervention; however we reserve the right to do so, if necessary.

The State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources:

1. Hereby respectfully requests the United States of America Federal Energy Regulatory Commission recognize our party status by way of this Notice of Intervention and be heard in Commission action on this proceeding as a party, and;
2. Hereby respectfully requests the United States of America Federal Energy Regulatory Commission accept the Department's reservation of comments, and

allow for the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to make comments or recommendations as warranted or necessary, pending the outcome of the administrative process.

Service of documents, decision, or communications relating to this docket shall be made upon and to WDNR FERC Coordinator, Cheryl Laatsch, WDNR Horicon Service Center, N7725 Highway 28, Horicon, WI 53032-9782; [cheryl.laatsch@wisconsin.gov](mailto:cheryl.laatsch@wisconsin.gov); 920-387-7869.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cheryl Laatsch". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Cheryl Laatsch  
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources  
Acting FERC Coordinator

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