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In reply refer to:

P-11482-ME Mechanic Falls

August 15, 2023

Via Electronic Mail Mr. Lewis Loon KEI (USA) Power Management, Inc. lewisc.loon@kruger.com

RE: 2023 Post Inspection Letter

Dear Mr. Loon:

Thank you and your staff for the assistance provided to Mr. Noel Aglubat of this office during the recent inspection of the Mechanic Falls project on July 11, 2023. During the inspection, observed project features were observed to be in fair to satisfactory condition. The following items should be addressed:

- 1. In the March 3, 2020 filing of the 2019 Dam Safety Surveillance and Monitoring Report (DSSMR) you reported that an internal inspection of the penstock with thickness measurements was performed in 2020. Please submit this penstock inspection report.
- 2. The public safety plan in our records is from 1998. The plan should be updated to reflect current conditions and resubmitted. This was requested in our July 5, 2018 letter and has not been submitted.
- 3. The emergency notification call-down list was not available at the powerhouse, please place the call-down list in the powerhouse. This will be confirmed during our next inspection.
- 4. Vegetation was observed on throughout the forebay area, for future inspections, please keep all water retaining structures clear of vegetation for up to a distance of 15 feet.

Please provide a plan and schedule to address these comments within 60 days of receipt of this letter. Please note that we may provide additional comments that arise during the preparation of the inspection report. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Noel Aglubat, P.E. at (212) 273-5941 or by e-mail at Noel.Aglubat@ferc.gov.

File your submittal using the Commission's eFiling system at https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview. For all Dam Safety and Public Safety Documents, select Hydro: Regional Office and New York Regional Office from the eFiling menu. The cover page of the filing must indicate that the material was eFiled. For assistance with eFiling, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

Sincerely,

John Spain, P.E. Regional Engineer