

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Washington, D. C. 20426

OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

Project No. 9690—New York
Rio Project
Project No. 10481—New York
Mongaup Falls Project
Project No. 10482—New York
Swinging Bridge Project
Alliance Energy Renewables, LLC

Mr. Samuel G. Nappi
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APR 02 2008

Subject: Opening of Recreational Access at the Rio and Mongaup Falls Projects

Dear Mr. Nappi:

This letter regards the Rio and Mongaup Falls Projects, FERC Nos. 9690 and 10841. Recreational access to these projects has been restricted until the dam safety remediation work was completed at the Swinging Bridge Dam (FERC No. 10482) located upstream. The remediation work is now complete. The 24th Board of Consultants (BOC) report, dated December 20, 2007, indicates that the Swinging Bridge dam performed as expected during the refilling stage. This conclusion was confirmed in a March 26, 2008 telephone conference between your company, the BOC and FERC which reviewed the performance of the dam since December 2007. Accordingly, you are able to resume normal operation at the projects along the Mongaup River. You are now authorized to reopen recreational access at the Rio and Mongaup Falls Projects.

As required by the “Order Approving Recreation Monitoring Report and Amending Article 401” issued on February 7, 2007, the scheduled two-turbine releases for whitewater boating at the Rio Project should commence beginning within one month after the area is reopened to recreation.¹ You must file your whitewater release schedule by May 1, 2008, and update your telephone hotline which informs the public of recreational releases on or before the Wednesday prior to the release. In addition, you should contact the New York Department of Environmental Conservation to inform them of the changes to recreational access at the project.

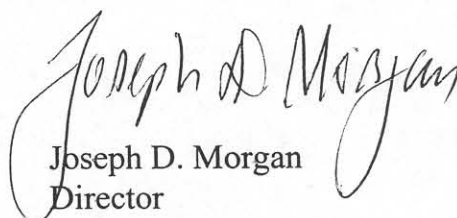
¹ See 118 FERC ¶ 62,108.

Project No. 9690 et al.

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Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Campbell at (202) 502-6182.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph D. Morgan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Joseph D. Morgan
Director

Division of Hydropower Administration
and Compliance