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FERC Project No. P-10855
NATDAM Nos. MI00175 & MI00197

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

Dear Secretary Bose:

Dead River Hydroelectric Project – Hoist & Silver Lake Developments

Article 402: Planned Deviation of License Start of Month Target Elevations

In accordance with Article 402 of the Order Issuing License for the Dead River Hydroelectric Project dated October 4, 2002, and as amended September 1, 2011, Upper Peninsula Power Company (UPPCO) is required to “strive to operate the existing project facilities to achieve the start of month target elevations.” Storage basin elevation may also be modified for short periods upon mutual agreement among the licensee, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

On Monday, March 4, 2024, UPPCO requested to adjust operations at the Silver Lake and Hoist developments allowing for higher start of month headwater elevation targets for the month of April. Comments were received from the agencies and are attached in Appendix A. Approval of the requested planned deviation was received on March 5, 2024, and UPPCO began operating toward the adjusted targets on March 6, 2024.

If you have any questions about this planned deviation, please do not hesitate to contact Brad Massie at (906) 485-2419, or Virgil Schlorke at (906) 485-2480.

Sincerely,

Virgil Schlorke
Director - Generation and Environmental Services

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Enclosure: Appendix A – Documentation of Agency Consultation

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