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Subject: RE: Dead River License Request for Planned Deviation - Dead River Storage Basin Drawdown

Hi Josh,

Thank you for addressing:

- how the SWE at present compares to the records available
- how the proposed operations in light of precipitation this year relates to the Temporary Amendment request
- specific target elevations and outflows
- drawdown rate, and seeking to minimize the fluctuation in the reservoir by starting early with moderated increases in outflow
- attempting to minimize potential negative impacts (aquatic resources, erosion, etc.)

I appreciate the detail provided , support the planned drawdown, and hope it is successful. I further understand that UPPCO plans to coordinate with hydropower entities downstream so they can plan accordingly, and that UPPCO has issued public warnings regarding safety on ice that may become suspended above the water during operations.

If conditions significantly change, I anticipate we will be hearing from you again. Thank you for being proactive.

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