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Hydroelectric GP Processing
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NH Department of Environmental Services Water Division, Wastewater Engineering 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095

Dear Hydroelectric GP Processing:

Subject: Revised Errol Hydroelectric Notice of Intent (NHG0016)

Brookfield Renewable Energy Partners, (Brookfield), on behalf of its wholly-owned subsidiary Errol Hydroelectric Company (EHC), hereby submits a revised notice of intent (NOI) for the Errol hydroelectric station located on the Androscoggin River in Errol, NH. GLHA is hereby notifying EPA that:

- 1) EHC discovered in 2013 Q2 that the non-contact cooling water (NCCW) discharge from the hydro station's heat exchangers goes directly to the Androscoggin River, not through the sump pit discharge. (Please see details in the enclosed flow diagrams.) The NOI EHC submitted to EPA on March 25, 2010 did not identify this as a separate discharge.
- 2) EHC began sampling the discharge from the heat exchangers for oil and grease, pH and temperature immediately upon discovery. The sample results, to-date, have been below the permit maximum limits.
- 3) As discussed with Ms. Amy Clark of the NH Department of Environmental Services, the sampling results for the heat exchangers will be reported on the NHG0016 quarterly discharge monitoring reports (DMR) using the "comments" box until otherwise instructed by the EPA.

We appreciate EPA's review of this information and look forward to your recommendations on how to update EHC permit number NHG0016. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 508-251-7654 or clare.kirk@brookfieldrenewable.com.

Sincerely,

Clare S. Kirk, P.E.

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Licensing and Compliance Specialist

Enclosures

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **NEW ENGLAND - REGION I 5 POST OFFICE SOUARE, SUITE 100** BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02109-3912

Request for General Permit Authorization to Discharge Wastewater (Notice of Intent (NOI) to be covered by the General Permit)

Hydroelectric Generating Facilities (HYDROGP) NPDES General Permits No. MAG360000 and NHG360000

A. Facility Information 1. Indicate applicable General Permit for discharge: MAG360000 NHG360000 X 2. Facility Name, Location, and Data: Name Errol Hydro Street/POBox 491 Errol Dam Rd. City Errol Zip Code 03579 State NH Latitude_44.7863431 Longitude 71.124330 Type of Business Hydroelectric generating station SIC Code(s) 4911 3. Facility Mailing Address (if different from Location Address): Name Errol Hydro c/o GLHA Street/PO Box 972 Main St. City Berlin State NH Zip Code 03570 4. Facility Owner: Name Errol Hydroelectric Co. LLC e-mail (optional) Street/PO Box 972 Main St. City Berlin State NH _____ Zip Code_03570 Contact Person Dennis Turcotte Telephone Number 603-752-2353, x14 Owner is (check one): 1. Federal 2. State 3. Tribal 4. Private X Other (Describe)_____

6. Current permit status (please check Yes or No):

5. Facility Operator (if different from above):

a. Has a prior NPDES permit (individual or general permit coverage) been granted for the discharge that is listed on the NOI? Yes ___ No X _ If Yes, Permit Number: ____ b. Is the facility covered by an individual NPDES permit? Yes ___ No X ___

Zip Code_____

Legal Name______e-mail (optional) _____ Street/PO Box_____ City____

Contact Person______ Telephone Number_____

- If Yes, Permit Number
- c. Is there a pending NPDES application on file with EPA for this discharge? Yes $___$ No X If Yes, date of submittal: _____ and permit number if available:_____

7. Attach a topographic map indicating the location of the facility attached? Yes See Attachment A (Revised)	and the outfall(s) to the receiving water. Map		
8. Provide the number of turbines and the combined turbine discharge minimum output, in cubic feet per second (cfs). Number of turbine capacity): maximum output, cfs 2,600 and minimum output, cfs 800 (est.)			
9. Is the hydroelectric generating facility operated as a pump stora	age project? NO		
B. Discharge Information (attach additional sheets as neede	ed).		
Name of receiving water into which discharge will occur: And Freshwater: X Marine Water:	droscoggin River		
 Attach a line drawing or flow schematic showing water flow th water, operations contributing flow, treatment units, outfalls, a schematic attached? Yes See Figures 1 & 2 	and receiving waters(s). Line drawing or flow		
3. List each outfall under the following categories and number seq equipment and floor drain water; maintenance-related water; fac water events, and equipment-related backwash strainer water (see 4). Attach additional sheets to identify outfalls as needed.	rility maintenance-related water during flood/high		
Equipment-related cooling water	Equipment and floor drain water		
New - Non-contact cooling	(Already permitted by NHG0016)		
water from heat exchangers;	#17A- Combination; sump pit		
low flow (varies)	discharge; oil detector alarm;		
	12,236 GPD (avg.)		
Maintenance-related water	Facility maintenance-related water during flood/high water events		
#17 - Station dewatering			
discharge - used only for			
dewatered inspections (3-5 yrs)			
Equipment-related backwash strainer water			

4. List each outfall discharging any combination of the following to identify the combined discharges: equipment-related cooling water, equipment and floor drain water, maintenance-related water, equipment-related backwash strainer water, and facility maintenance-related water during flood/high water events (see Parts I.A.5 and B.5) and continue the sequential numbering. Attach additional sheets to identify outfalls as needed.

- 5. Provide for each outfall the following:
- a. Latitude and longitude to the nearest second (see EPA's siting tool at: http://www.epa.gov/tri/report/siting tool/) and the name(s) of the receiving water(s) into which the discharge will occur.
 - 44.7863431, 71.124330 Androscoggin River
- b. The operations contributing flow and the treatment received by the discharge. Indicate the average flow from $each\ operation$. See answers provided (above).
- c. Indicate if the discharge can be sampled at least once per year or can be sampled using the representative outfall sampling provisions (see Parts I.A.6 or B.6 and III.E). Yes, discharge can be sampled.
- d. Note if the outfall discharges intermittently or seasonally.

C. Chemical Additives

Are any non-toxic neutralization chemicals used in the discharge(s)? Yes _____ No____ If so, include the chemical name and manufacturer; maximum and average daily quantity used on a monthly basis as well as the maximum and average daily expected concentrations (mg/l) in the discharge, and the vendor's reported aquatic toxicity (NOAEL and/or LC₅₀ in percent for typically acceptable aquatic organism).

D. Endangered Species Act Eligibility Information

A facility, with a previous ESA Section 7 consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), seeking coverage under the Massachusetts general permit and discharging to the Connecticut River or Merrimack River should provide one of the following, if available. N/A

- 1. A formal certification indicating consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) resulted in either a no jeopardy opinion or a written concurrence on a finding that the discharges are not likely to adversely affect the shortnose sturgeon or critical habitat. Information should also be provided indicating the hydroelectric facility's previous ESA Section 7 consultation with NMFS covered the discharges to be authorized under this general permit and demonstrating no significant changes in the discharges have occurred since the previous consultation.
- 2. Another operator's certificate of the ESA eligibility for those discharges to be authorized under this general permit.

E. Supplemental Information

Please provide any supplemental information, including antidegradation review information applicable to new or increased discharges. Attach any certification(s) required by the general permit.

F. Signature Requirements

The Notice of Intent must be signed by the operator in accordance with the signatory requirements of 40 CFR Section 122.22 (see below) including the following certification:

I certify under penalty of law that no chemical additives are used in the discharges to be authorized under this general permit except for those used for pH adjustment and (2) this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted.

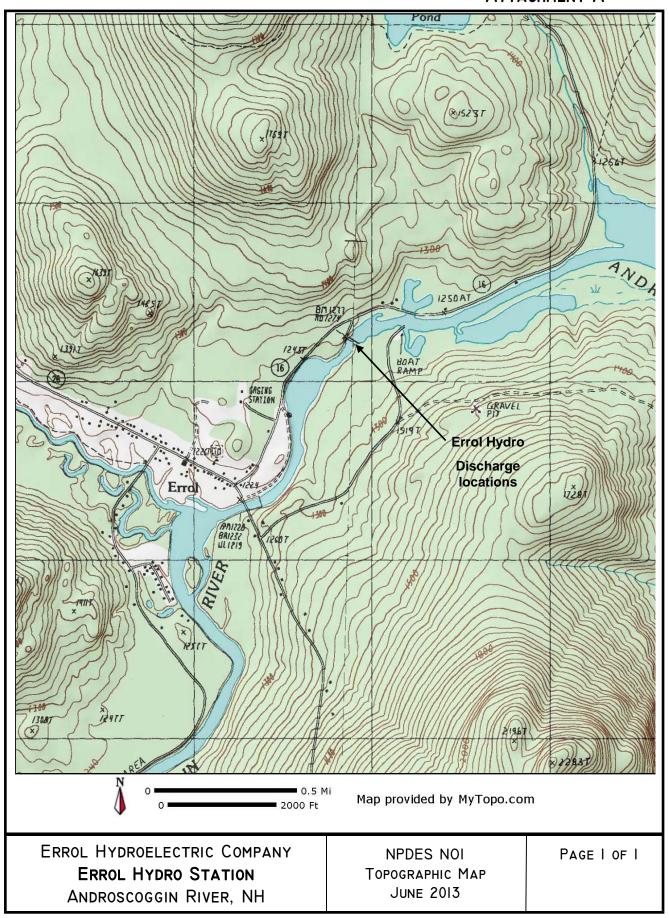
Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, I certify that the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I certify that I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Signature Dy	gamen.	_Date	6/01/2013
Printed Name and Title _	Jon Elmer, Interen GM New England		•

Federal regulations require this application to be signed as follows:

- 1. For a corporation, by a principal executive officer of at least the level of vice president;
- 2. For partnership or sole proprietorship, by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively, or,
- 3. For a municipality, State, Federal or other public facility, by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official.

ATTACHMENT A



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Errol Hydro (NHG0016) NPDES BMP

Line Drawing - Not to Scale Sample tap for 17A Revised: June 14, 2013 Figure 1 of 2 UPPER OIL TANK 17A Sump pit discharge to DEWATERING INTAKE EL 1206.66' (BELDW) ELECTRICAL PANELS Flow 17 -Dewatering pump discharge (rarely used) OPERATING FLOOR MOTOR CONTROL CENTER See Figure 2 for Heat Exchanger NCCW

Notes:

- 1. All water supplied from River
- 2. Oil separator pit has oil sensor
- 3. Sensor shuts down sump discharge pumps if oil is detected

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