MOTION TO INTERVENE

June 7, 2018

VIA E-FILING

Kimberly Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: NOTICE of APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED for FILING, SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS to INTERVENE, and PROTESTS... in Saccarappa Dam, Presumpscot River, Westbrook, Maine Project 2897-048 (Surrender) and amendments to Presumpscot River Projects 2932-047 (Mallison Falls), 2941-043 (Little Falls), 2931- 042 (Gambo) and 2942-051 (Dundee). January 18, 2017.

Formal Notice Issued:

The Town of Standish, Maine, hereby moves to intervene in this proceeding pursuant to 18 CFR Statutes 385.210 and 385.214.

Service of process and other communication should be made to: Kris Tucker Town Manager Town of Standish 175 Northeast Road Standish, Maine 04084

Email: <u>ktucker@standish.org</u>

1. Introduction

The Town of Standish borders the upper Presumpscot below the Eel Weir dam Ferc Project Number p-2984. Also, Standish borders Sebago Lake from White's Bridge on the northeast shore to Long Beach on the west shore. The citizens of Standish would benefit from the restoration of anadromous fishes to all the Presumpscot River and Sebago Lake. A May 7, 2018 letter from the Town of Standish to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection states:

"5/7/2018

Dear MS Howatt and Maine Dept. of Environmental Protection, "As Town Manager of Standish, Maine, I am writing to inform you that the Council of Standish did, on April 10, 2018, resolve unanimously to support the present requirements of the current 2003 FERC licenses for the five lower dams on the Presumpscot River: Sacarappa, Little Falls, Maillison, Gambo and Dundee dams, as well as the fishway prescription, which are part of the conditions of the present licenses. Removing fish passage requirements for Gambo and Dundee dams would be a taking from Standish citizens of the great economic and ecosystem value that will be derived from restoring anadromous fish to the entire Presumpscot watershed region. Not only are we a community that relies heavily on tourism, which would be bolstered by increased fish stock diversity, but Standish also appreciates the intrinsic and extrinsic value derived by maintaining an ecosystem as close to original, natural conditions as is feasible.

The Town of Standish, through its staff, manager and council, are concerned that Anadromous fish restoration of the upper Presumpscot River and Sebago Lake could not occur before 2053 if S.D. Warren Company Sacarrappa FERC License Surrender Project filing and the applications for modification of Water Quality Certifications are approved by the State of Maine. The conditions of the modification removes guarantees of required fish passage at Gambo and Dundee dams after 2053 under Sappi's new modifications. We see it as our responsibility as stewards of local natural resources, as well as protectors of the quality of life for present and future generations, to be proactive about the legacy we leave behind. Standish asks that you take appropriate action to help us meet this responsibility. - Kris Tucker, Town Manager"

II. Grounds for Intervention

Intervention by the Town of Standish is in the public interest as required by 18 CFR Statute385.214(b)(2)(iii). The citizens of the Town of Standish may be directly affected by the outcome of the license amendment proceeding for Project 2897. As noted in the above letter, the Town of Standish has a direct and substantial interest in the outcome of this amendment process to advocate for local/regional economic and ecological opportunities, as needed and appropriate.

iii. Conclusion

It is important that the Town of Standish stay engaged and represent its citizen's interests, should it become necessary. For these reasons, FERC should accept this motion to intervene in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted this 7th day of June 2018

Kris Tucker, Standish Town Manager 175 Northeast Road Standish, Maine 04084