

**FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
MEMORANDUM**

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TO: Public files for the Secord, Smallwood, Edenville, and Sanford
Hydroelectric Projects
(FERC No. P-10809, P-10810, P-10808, and P-2785, respectively).

SUBJECT: Clarifications to temporary amendment application

On August 6, 2018, Ms. Jennifer Ambler of the Commission's staff contacted Mr. Lee Mueller, Boyce Hydro Power, LLC's (licensee) representative for the Secord, Smallwood, Edenville, and Sanford hydroelectric projects (collectively, Boyce Projects) concerning proposed focused spillway and gate assessments at the projects. Ms. Ambler requested clarification from Mr. Mueller on the temporary variances needed from license conditions in order for the proposed spillway and gate assessments to take place. While the licensee's July 26, 2018 filing included a request for temporary variances in reservoir levels for the Smallwood, Edenville, and Sanford licenses, an associated filing dated July 30, 2018 noted the need to also draw down the Secord reservoir for the work. In the call, Mr. Mueller confirmed that the Secord reservoir would also need to be drawn down by four feet for the same time period, and at the same draw-down and refill rates, as the other Boyce Project reservoir drawdowns, beginning on September 20, 2018 for the proposed inspections.

Ms. Ambler also requested clarification from the licensee regarding any temporary variances from license conditions expected for minimum flow conditions required by the Edenville and Sanford licenses. Mr. Mueller stated that the minimum flows required by the Edenville and Sanford licenses would be maintained at all times the impoundments were lowered with the exception of the periods where personnel would be onsite conducting the inspections, which should only last a short period of time.

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