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VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

To: Agency and Tribe Distribution List

Northern Illinois Hydropower, LLC
Notice of Filing – Final License Application for Initial License
Dresden Island Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 12626)

To Agency and Tribe Distribution List:

Northern Illinois Hydropower, LLC (NIH) herein provides notice that it has filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) its Final License Application for Initial License for proposed Dresden Island Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 12626). NIH prepared the license application in accordance with 18 CFR §4.51 (Major Project Existing Dam) with the exception of Exhibit E where NIH elected to use the more expansive Environmental Report format in accordance with 18 CFR §4.41 (Major Unconstructed Project) regulations. NIH is sending this notice to the Dresden Island Hydroelectric Project mailing list (see attached).

The Dresden Island Project is located immediately downstream of the confluence of the Des Plaines and Kankakee River on the Illinois River near the town of Morris. The Project is located at the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Dresden Island Lock and Dam.

NIH filed the document electronically with FERC on March 31, 2009. Electronic copies of the filing are available on the Project licensing website (<http://www.nihydropower.com>). NIH is providing you with a copy of the final license application on CD. Upon receipt and acceptance of the final license application, FERC will issue a notice that the license application is available for public comment. The notice will include contact information to relevant FERC offices and staff. NIH can provide a hard copy upon request. Please contact Damon Zdunich at 801 Oakland Avenue, Joliet, IL 60435, at (815) 723-6314 or by emailing info@nihydropower.com.

If there are any questions or comments regarding this notice or any of the documents, please contact me at the above address.

Sincerely,

Northern Illinois Hydropower, LLC



Damon Zdunich
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Attachment (Agency and Tribe Distribution List)
Dresden Island License Application on CD
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