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Kimberly D. Bose  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

**Re: The Nevada Hydro Company, Inc., Bluewater Renewable Energy Storage  
Project No. 14227; Transmittal of Amended License Application**

Dear Secretary Bose,

Attached please find an Amended Application for License of Unconstructed Project for The Nevada Hydro Company, Inc.'s (Nevada Hydro) Bluewater Renewable Energy Storage Project (Project) in the above-referenced docket (Amended Application). The Project was formerly known as the Lake Elsinore Advanced Pumped Storage Project. The Amended Application proposes changes to the Project designed to address concerns of the U.S. Forest Service (Forest Service) and Project stakeholders, in particular a reconfiguration of the Project transmission line to avoid National Forest lands, and proposes new enhancements to water quality in the existing Lake Elsinore.<sup>1</sup>

Nevada Hydro filed the original license application for the Project on October 2, 2017. By letter dated December 9, 2021, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff dismissed the application without prejudice to refiling of the application with all information required by the Forest Service. As explained in the Amended Application, based on further consultation with the Forest Service, the Forest Service has indicated that it is willing to evaluate the reconfigured Project once the application has been refiled and accepted by the Commission and that no further studies are required by the Forest Service prior to refiling of the application.

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<sup>1</sup> None of these changes constitutes a material amendment to the application under the Commission's regulations. 18 C.F.R. § 4.35.

The Amended Application contains one volume, and its sections are identified below:

<b>Volume</b>	<b>Description</b>
Volume 1	Initial Statement
	Executive Summary
	Exhibit A – Project Description
	Exhibit B – Project Operation and Resource Utilization
	Exhibit C – Construction Schedule
	Exhibit D – Project Costs and Financing
	Exhibit E – Environmental Report
	Section 1 – General Setting
	Section 2 – Hydrology and Water Quality
	Section 3 – Fish, Wildlife and Botanical Resources
	Section 4 – Historical and Archaeological Resources
	Section 5 – Socioeconomic Impacts
	Section 6 – Geological and Soil Resources
	Section 7 – Recreational Resources
	Section 8 – Aesthetic Resources
	Section 9 – Land Use
	Section 10 – Alternative Locations, Designs, and Energy Sources
	Section 11 – Literature Cited
	Section 12 – Consultation Update

Nevada Hydro will make the Amended Application available to all federal, state, and local agencies, Indian Tribes, non-governmental organizations, and members of the general public that have expressed an interest in the licensing by:

- Posting it on the Bluewater Renewable Energy website. The link is: <https://www.bluerenew.life>.
- Making the Amended Application available at the following public libraries in the Project region:

Altha Merrifield Memorial Library  
 600 West Graham Avenue  
 Lake Elsinore, CA 92530  
 T: (951) 674-4517

Vick Knight Community Library  
 32593 Riverside Drive, Building 200  
 Lake Elsinore, CA 92530  
 T: (951) 678-7083

Wildomar Library  
34303 Mission Trail  
Wildomar, CA 92595  
T: (951) 471-3855

If you have any questions regarding the Amended Application, please contact the undersigned or Paul Anderson at (951) 585-3277 or paul@bluerenew.life.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

cc: FERC San Francisco Regional Office

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to Rule 2010 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, I hereby certify that I have this day caused the foregoing document to be served upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated at Washington, DC, this 21st day of October, 2022.

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