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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

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Subject: Notice of Application for Lease of Power Privilege (LOPP) for Columbia Basin Hydropower (CBHP) 500 MW Pump Storage Facility Between Banks Lake and Roosevelt Lake

Dear Ms. Johnson:

On February 28, 2020, the Bureau of Reclamation received a formal request to initiate the above referenced project to consider CBHP as a potential lessee for non-federal hydropower development. The proposal includes utilizing Banks Lake (upper reservoir), Roosevelt Lake (lower reservoir), as well as constructing new underground tunnels, intake, and an underground powerhouse near Grand Coulee, Washington.

The project is under dual jurisdiction for licensing between Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and Reclamation. Reclamation has retained jurisdiction over facilities within Roosevelt Lake while FERC reserved authority over Banks Lake and features outside the boundaries of Roosevelt Lake.

As the power marketing administration, Reclamation is required to determine interest in developing the project on behalf of the Federal government prior to opening the solicitation of the LOPP to the public. If Bonneville Power Administration elects to reject developing this project, Reclamation will proceed with posting the solicitation for proposals.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please reach out to the project manager, Ben Miller, at (208) 378-5196 or via email at [bjmiller@usbr.gov](mailto:bjmiller@usbr.gov).

Sincerely,

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