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May 30, 2014

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

**Re: Project No. P-14425-000  
Scott's Mill Hydropower Project, Liberty University, Inc.  
Third Six-Month Preliminary Permit Progress Report**

Dear Ms. Bose:

On December 6, 2012, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued a Preliminary Permit to Liberty University, Inc. ("Liberty") regarding the Scott's Mill Hydropower Project No. 14425 ("Project"). Pursuant to Article 4 of the Preliminary Permit, Liberty University, Inc. hereby submits its third six-month progress report. During the third six-month period of the Preliminary Permit, representatives of Liberty and Luminaire Technologies have:

- Met with an engineer from a major industrial energy engineering firm to discuss the potential electricity production capacity and revenue proforma projections for Scott's Mill Dam, engineering processes regarding the utilization of refurbished turbines with innovative technologies at the Project, and the procedure for applying for potential applicable grants for new generation turbines.
- Conducted Project site visits and meetings with the owner of the existing Scott's Mill Dam concerning powerhouse siting feasibility, timing, economic, geotechnical, construction and engineering issues.
- Continued to evaluate the feasibility of installing new or refurbished turbines and generation equipment. Focused on new vertical full Kaplan turbines and generating equipment or refurbished Francis turbines and generators.
- Continued discussions with Commonwealth of Virginia resource agencies concerning minimum flows, recreation, and public access at the site.

- Continued review regarding commercial aspects of the Project, including financial and modeling marketing assessments.

Liberty intends to pursue the following development activities over the next six month period:

- Continue to evaluate new vertical full Kaplin turbines (and generating equipment) and refurbished Francis turbines and generators.
- Continue to review and evaluate various options to optimize the commercial, financial, and operational aspects of the Project.
- Continue to identify and refine studies, investigations, tests, plans and specifications regarding the Project.
- Conduct research regarding potential grants that would offset the cost of installing next generation turbines and apply for said grants as appropriate.
- Conduct research on innovative turbine design that would qualify for prospective grants.
- Further refine capital expenditure models, associated overhead, and maintenance spend, as well as transmission and distribution costs to update Project proformas and the ROI analysis.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or comments regarding this progress report.

Respectfully submitted,

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY, INC.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014 served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list in the captioned proceedings in accordance with the requirements of Rule 2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR § 385.2010 (2010).



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