

Via Email

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RE: SAFE HARBOR WATER POWER CORPORATION – 2022 FISH PASSAGE REPORT

Dear Ms. Eyer and Resource Agencies:

Safe Harbor Water Power Corporation (Brookfield) is hereby submitting the 2022 Safe Harbor Fish Passage Report for the Safe Harbor Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1025, NATDAM NO. PA00855) in Lancaster County, PA.

The Safe Harbor fish lift operates from mid-April to mid-June each year. It typically commences operation shortly after the Holtwood Fish Lift passes approximately 500 American Shad into Lake Aldred and stops a day or two after the Holtwood lift shuts down for the season.

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) and US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) submitted written requests to Brookfield on March 17, 2022 asking that the Safe Harbor fish lift not be operated in 2022 in an effort to limit the expansion of invasive species. This was based on the recommendation from multiple resource agencies.

Brookfield filed notification with FERC on March 18, 2022 noting the suspension of fish passage, which was then put out for public notice on April 4, 2022.

During 2022, a submersible ROV inspection was performed on the trough and a sonar scan of the trash screen. This inspection resulted in no anomalies or deterioration found. Maintenance and repairs will be performed on the fish lift as they are needed moving forward. Since the lift did not operate in 2022, there is no fish passage report enclosed.

Should any additional information be required, please contact me by phone at 215-620-4589, by e-mail at adam.slowik@brookfieldrenewable.com, or by mail at Brookfield Renewable, 482 Old Holtwood Rd., Holtwood, PA 17532.

Sincerely,



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Safe Harbor FPTAC Resource Agencies