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

RE: Smoky Mountain Hydro Project (FERC No. 2169)  
 Proposed Schedule of 2015 Cheoah River High Flow Events

Dear Secretary Bose:

On January 25, 2005, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a New License, effective March 1, 2005, for Project No. 2169. Section 1.2.2 of Appendix A of the License requires Brookfield Smoky Mountain Hydropower LLC (BSMH), as the licensee, to provide high flow events in the Cheoah River and to provide 12 months prior notice to FERC, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), U.S. Forest Service (USFS), North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC), North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR), Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), and Graham County of the proposed schedule of high flow events.

The high flow events for 2015 will follow the Year 1 schedule presented in Table OR-2.3 of Appendix A of the License, as presented below:

Month	Events	Total Days Per Month	Magnitude (cfs) <sup>3</sup>		
			Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
January					
February	1	2	1,000	Var <sup>1</sup>	
March	1	3	1,000	600 <sup>2</sup>	300
April	2	5	1,000	850	300
May	2	4	1,000	850	
June	1	2	1,000	850	
July					
August					
September	1	1	1,000		
October	1	1	1,000		
November	1	1	1,000		
December					

<sup>1</sup> 600 cfs from hour 15 to hour 19, 400 cfs from hour 20 to hour 34, 200 cfs from hour 35 to hour 47, 100 cfs for hour 48

<sup>2</sup> 600 cfs from hour 16 to hour 36, 300 cfs from hour 37 to hour 48

<sup>3</sup> 12:00 a.m. (midnight) shall be the starting point for determining the appropriate time for initiating and changing flow releases

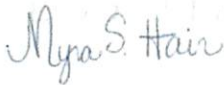
BSMH proposes the following schedule for the Cheoah River high flow releases in 2015:

February 21-22 (Saturday, Sunday)  
March 21-23 (Saturday, Sunday, Monday)  
April 11-12 (Saturday, Sunday)  
April 25-27 (Saturday, Sunday, Monday)  
May 16-17 (Saturday, Sunday)  
May 30-31 (Saturday, Sunday)  
June 27-28 (Saturday, Sunday)  
September 12 (Saturday)  
October 3 (Saturday)  
November 7 (Saturday)

As required by Section 1.2.3 of Appendix A of the License, BSMH held an annual flow planning meeting with agencies and other interested parties on October 29, 2013. During that meeting, BSMH reviewed a proposed schedule for the 2014 Cheoah River high flow releases. The schedule presented above was developed based on the comments received from the agencies and interested parties at the annual flow planning meeting.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 865-207-7902 or at [myra.hair@brookfieldrenewable.com](mailto:myra.hair@brookfieldrenewable.com) with any questions.

Sincerely,

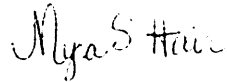


Myra Hair  
Compliance Specialist

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of Rule 2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Dated at Tallassee, Tennessee this 13th day of November 2013.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Myra S. Hair".

**Myra Hair  
Compliance Specialist**