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Debbie-Anne Reese, Acting Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20426

Dear Acting Secretary Reese:

The National Park Service submits the following documents to be considered under the Surrender of the Newhalem Hydroelectric Project (p-2705-037). The NPS has utilized these documents in our review of the project effects and requests that these be considered in FERC's Final EA and Surrender Order. These documents are being submitted as privileged because they contain sensitive information, are in draft and not ready for final distribution, or contain information about resources from a different Project that may not be suitable for wider distribution.

- **PRIVILEGED**. Seattle City Light (SCL). 2024 (Draft) Lentz, Corey, and January Tavel. Evaluation of the Historic Built Environment for the Newhalem Creek Hydroelectric Project Decommissioning, Newhalem, Whatcom County, Washington. January. (ICF 103729.0.003.01). Prepared by ICF, for Seattle City Light, Seattle, WA.
- **PRIVILEGED.** SCL. 2024 Skagit Hydroelectric Project (p-553). Cultural Resource-04 Inventory of Historic Properties with Traditional Cultural Significance Study Summary Report, Public-Facing Summary.
- **PRIVILEGED**. SCL. 2024 (Draft) Bush, Kelly R., Emma S. Dubois, Madison N. Henley and Leah Koch-Michael. Cultural Resources Survey Report: Newhalem Creek Hydroelectric Decommissioning Project, Newhalem, Whatcom County, Washington. Prepared for SCL.

Please include these documents as part of the record for the Newhalem Surrender Proceeding. If you have any questions, please contact Ashley Rawhouser, <u>ashley_rawhouser@nps.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ashley Rawhouser, Chief of Resource Management

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