



August 6, 2015

The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20426

SUBJECT: Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir, LLC Request for Two-Year Extension for the Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir Project (FERC Project No. P-14446)

Dear Secretary Bose:

Under Section 5 of the Federal Power Act, Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir, LLC (PTCR) is hereby requesting a two-year extension for the Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir Project (Project). While PTCR intends to continue with this Project, the economics of the coal industry have impacted the ability of PTCR to continue with the significant capital investments needed to execute and complete the required resource studies this year to develop this Project. Additionally, PTCR needs a more intensive/longer hydrologic record to assess the viability of the hydropower component of this Project.

Accordingly, PTCR requests the date for filing a License Application be extended to February 28, 2018, extending the preliminary permit term by two years beyond the three years previously permitted, for a total term of five years. During the two-year time extension, PTCR will continue to submit semi-annual progress reports to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), and pursue good faith and reasonable diligence efforts towards the development of this hydropower Project. As recently reported at the June 25, 2015 Second Study Report Meeting for the Project, to date, PTCR has fully complied with the Integrated Licensing Process timeline, submitting required Project filings, interim progress reports, and study reports per the time requirements, and engaging stakeholders throughout the licensing efforts.

Should you have any questions about this time extension request, please contact me at 314-342-3484 or byansen@peabodyenergy.com, or David Merritt, AECOM, PTCR's Environmental Consultant, at 970-309-7076 or david.merritt@aecom.com. Thank you for your consideration of this time extension request.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Yansen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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cc: *Attached Distribution List*

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