by a 550-foot-long earth embankment with a crest elevation of 1,128 feet NGVD29 (Alder Pond dam). The embankment includes a 100-foot-long fuse plug emergency spillway.

From Alder Pond, water flows through an ungated outlet, located west of Alder Pond Dam, to a 1,836-foot-long power canal that includes a 20-foot-long air bladder leaf gate (Dutch Hill Wasteway) with a top elevation of 1,124.8 feet NGVD29. The power canal provides flow to a canal control structure that includes: (1) three 4-foot-long vertical slide gates; and (2) a 21-foot-long intake structure that includes a 12-foot-long stoplog gate and two 9-foot-long trashracks with 1.75-inch clear bar spacing. From the intake structure, water flows to a 323-foot-long penstock and a 68-foot-long, 32-foot-wide concrete powerhouse that includes a 3.3 megawatt (MW) S-type Kaplan turbine-generator. From the powerhouse, water is released into a 19.8-foot-long tailrace that discharges into the Black River.

The project generators are connected to the regional electric grid by six 4.16-kilovolt (kV) generator lead lines and a 4.16/46-kV transformer.

Project recreation facilities include: (1) Alder Pond parking and access area, adjacent to the east side of the Alder Pond dam; (2); Forestport impoundment parking and access area, adjacent to the Forestport dam on the northwest shore of the Forestport impoundment; (3) an approximately 1,200 foot-long portage route from the Forestport impoundment parking and access area to the Alder Pond parking and access area; (4) an approximately 150-foot-long power canal portage route around the south side of the canal control structure; and (5) a powerhouse parking and access area adjacent to the powerhouse.

The minimum and maximum hydraulic capacities of the powerhouse are 60 and 870 cubic feet per second (cfs), respectively. The average annual energy production of the project from 2019 through 2023 was 7,252 megawatt-hours.

The current license requires Forestport Hydro to operate the project in a run-of-river mode, such that outflow from the project approximates inflow. The current license also requires Forestport Hydro to release a year-round minimum flow of 140 cfs or inflow, whichever is less, to the Black River.

Forestport Hydro proposes to: (1) continue operating the project in a run-of-river mode and maintaining the surface elevation of the Forestport impoundment at 1,126.55 feet NGVD29; (2) maintain the surface elevation of Alder Pond between 1123.6 and 1,124.6 feet NGVD29; (3) release a minimum flow of 140 cfs or inflow, whichever is less, over the Forestport dam; (4) implement a draft Bat and Bald Eagle Management Plan and an Invasive Species Management Plan; (5) develop an operation compliance monitoring plan; (6) continue to maintain existing project recreation facilities and update directional and safety signage at project recreation facilities; (7) move the power canal portage take-out site to be upstream of the boat barrier; and (8) to protect cultural resources, consult with the New York State Historic Preservation Officer before beginning any land-clearing or land-disturbing activities.

o. In addition to publishing the full text of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this notice, as well as other documents in the proceeding (*e.g.,* license application) via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (*http://www.ferc.gov*) using the ''eLibrary'' link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document (P–4900). For assistance, contact FERC at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov,* (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY).

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q. *Procedural Schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following preliminary schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Deficiency Letter and Request Additional Information—April 2025
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Request Additional Information (if necessary)—August 2025
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Issue Scoping Document 2 (if necessary)—September 2025
Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis—September 2025

r. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Dated: March 13, 2025.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 5062–049]

Quinebaug Associates, LLC; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Relicensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 5062–049.

c. *Date Filed:* February 27, 2025.

d. *Applicant:* Quinebaug Associates, LLC (Quinebaug Associates).

e. *Name of Project:* Quinebaug-Five Mile Pond Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Quinebaug River and Five Mile River in Windham County, Connecticut.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Antonio Zarella, 230 Park Ave., Suite 447, New York, NY 10169; (315) 247–0253; *tz@relevatepower.com.*

i. *FERC Contact:* Amanda Gill at (202) 502–6773; or email at *amanda.gill@ferc.gov.*

j. *Cooperating Agencies:* Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See* 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. *Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status:* April 28, 2025.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status using the Commission's eFiling system at *https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOnline.aspx.* For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov,* (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Quinebaug-Five Mile Pond Hydroelectric Project (P–5062–049).

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. *Project Description:* the existing Quinebaug-Five Mile Pond Hydroelectric Project consists of two developments: the 350-kilowatt (kW) Five Mile Pond Development on the Five Mile River, a tributary to the Quinebaug River; and the 1,831-kW Quinebaug Development, at the confluence of the Five Mile Pond River. Combined, the project has an authorized capacity of 2,181-kW and an average annual generation of 7,460 megawatt-hours between 2014 and 2023.

Five Mile Pond Development

The Five Mile Pond Development comprises: (1) an approximately 135-foot-long, 16.5-foot-high, stone masonry gravity dam (Five Mile Pond dam); (2) an approximately 100-foot-long overflow spillway; (3) an approximately 65-acre impoundment with a storage capacity of 260 acre-feet at a normal water surface elevation of 220.8 feet mean sea level (msl); (4) an approximately 280-foot-long, 30-foot-wide, and 12-foot-deep concrete stone and earthen canal; (5) an intake structure located at the terminus of the canal with a 10-foot-wide, 15-foot-deep, steel, 2-inch clear space trashrack; (6) a 30-foot-wide, 20-foot-long masonry and wood powerhouse; (7) a 350-kW turbine-generator; (8) a 15-feet-long, 30-feet-wide concrete tailrace, (9) a 2.3/23 kilovolt (kV) transformer; (10) a 120-foot-long, 2.3 kV transmission line; and (11) other appurtenant facilities.

Quinebaug Development

The Quinebaug Development comprises: (1) an approximately 250-foot-long, 14-foot-high stone dam (Rojak dam); (2) an approximately 130-foot-long spillway; (3) an 85-acre impoundment with a storage capacity of 283 acre-feet at a normal water surface elevation of 188 feet msl; (4) an approximately 40-foot-wide concrete and steel headgate structure with three 8-foot-wide by 9-foot-deep vertical slide gates; (5) an approximately 900-foot-long, 30-foot-wide, and 9.5-foot deep masonry open channel power canal; (6) a 26.5-foot-wide intake structure with a 3.5-inch clear space trashrack; (7) a 71-foot-long, 33-foot-wide, and 43-foot-high concrete powerhouse; (8) three turbine-generators (1,120 kW; 711 kW; and a 70 kW low flow unit; (9) a 15-foot-long, 33-foot-wide tailrace; (10) a 2.3/23-kV transformer; (11) a 120-foot-long, 2.3-kV transmission line; and (12) other appurtenant facilities.

The project creates an approximately 300-foot-long bypassed reach on the Five Mile River and an approximately 1,000-foot-long bypassed reach on the Quinebaug River. The project does not include any developed recreation facilities.

The current license requires Quinebaug Associates to operate the project in a run-of-river mode for the protection of fish and wildlife resources in the Quinebaug and Five Mile rivers. The current license also requires Quinebaug Associates to maintain a 77 cubic feet per second (cfs) continuous minimum flow in the bypassed reach downstream Rojak dam, and a 15 cfs minimum flow in the bypassed reach downstream Five Mile Pond dam, as measured immediately below the project dams, or inflow to the reservoirs, whichever is less, for the protection of fish and wildlife resources.

Quinebaug Associates proposes to: (1) continue to operate the project in run-of-river mode; (2) continue to release a continuous minimum flow of 77 cfs downstream of Rojak dam, and a continuous minimum flow of 15 cfs downstream of Five Mile Pond dam, or inflow to the project reservoirs, whichever is less; (3) develop a flow management and monitoring plan; (4) install upstream eel passage facilities at each development; and (5) enhance downstream fish passage at each development.

o. Copies of the application may be viewed on the Commission's website at *http://www.ferc.gov* using the ''eLibrary'' link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document (P–5062). For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov* or call tollfree, (866) 208–3676 or (202) 502–8659 (TTY).

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