

November 14, 2013

Mr. Peter Fasbender Field Supervisor U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 2661 Scott Tower Drive New Franken, WI 54229

Ms. Cheryl Laatsch Statewide FERC Coordinator Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources N7725 Hwy 28 Horicon, WI 53032

Re: Flambeau Pixley Project

FERC # 2395

Flambeau Hydro, LLC

Article 410, 2013 DRAFT Purple Loosestrife Inventory

Dear Ms. Laatsch, and Mr. Fasbender:

Attached you will find a copy of the Flambeau Hydro, LLC "Purple Loosestrife Inventory" for 2013. This annual report has been prepared to comply with the federal hydropower license of the project and article named above. A final copy will be filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission with any comments you might add by the end of January.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Mr. Gary Rast at Renewable World Energies Neshkoro office @ (855)994-9376, ext 105 or Aneta Rietveld at Renewable World Energies Norway office @ (855)994-9376, ext 108. They can also be reached via email at grast@rwehydro.com or arietveld@rwehvdro.com.

Sincerely,

Renewable World Energies, LLC

Agent for the Licensee

Mr. Jason Kreuscher

Vice President Operations

CC: RWE Hydro, Corporate

Flambeau Pixley Project Purple Loosestrife Inventory August 14, 2013 FERC Project # 2395 Article 410

Flambeau Hydro LLC 100 S. State St. Neshkoro, WI 54960

Purple Loosestrife

On August 14, 2013, Flambeau Hydro, LLC (FHLLC) performed an inventory of purple loosestrife plants at the Flambeau Lower Project in Price County, Wisconsin. The method of inventory as approved and modified by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order of June 18, 2003 was defined as follows:

While Purple Loosestrife is blooming in mid-July to early August, the inventory should be conducted using a boat to survey the impoundment above the dam within the Project Boundary and on foot or by boat below the dam within the Project Boundary. County wetland maps may be used to determine other areas where Purple Loosestrife could be found on lands owned by FHLLC within the Project Boundary will be surveyed on foot. A pair of binoculars should be used to search for the purple flowered spikes of the plant. When plants are located, the person(s) inventorying should get close enough to make a positive identification without disturbing the plants or the immediate area around the plants as this could cause them to spread. A GPS receiver will be used to establish a GPS coordinate for the location of the plants. If it is not possible to get close enough to establish an accurate location, an approximate location will be established with reference to an established GPS coordinate. The plants should be inventoried by marking and numbering the location on a Project map along with notes approximating size of plants, stand area, percent cover, stem density, plant density, and location with reference to established GPS coordinates. Photos and/or videotape will be taken of the largest occurrences.

Example:

#1) 6' tall plants; 4' x 20'; 30% cover; 4-5 stems per plant; 4 plants; on shoreline N45 56.183' W90 26.748'; no photo

#2) 5'-7' tall plants; 10° x 10° ; 25% cover; 4-5 stems per plant; 10° plants; in marsh ~50 feet Bearing 25 degrees from N45 56.256' W90 26.710'; photo No. 1

The area to be inventoried shall be the shoreline of the impoundment to elevation 1450 feet NGVD and lands owned by FHLLC within the Project Boundary as indicated on the Project Maps 1, dated November 1991, included in Exhibit G of Flambeau Paper Corp. Application for a Subsequent License for the Pixley Hydroelectric Project FERC Project #2395.

General Observations:

The Flambeau Pixley Project Boundary was divided into three different areas; the impoundment (from HWY 13 bridge in Park Falls to the dam), FHLLC-owned property within the project boundary (FHLLC owned property adjacent to the dam and powerhouse), and the tailrace (from the dam and powerhouse to approximately 500 feet downstream of the dam).

The tailrace was surveyed by boat and no purple loosestrife plants were observed.

The FHLLC-owned property within the project boundary was surveyed on foot and no purple loosestrife plants were observed.

The impoundment was surveyed by boat and no purple loosestrife plants were observed.

If any purple loosestrife plants had been found during the inventory, a digital camera would have been used to document these occurrences and GPS coordinates for the location of the plants would have been recorded.

Purple Loosestrife Survey

Project: Flambeau Pixley #2395

Datum:

WGS 84

Date:

August 14, 2013

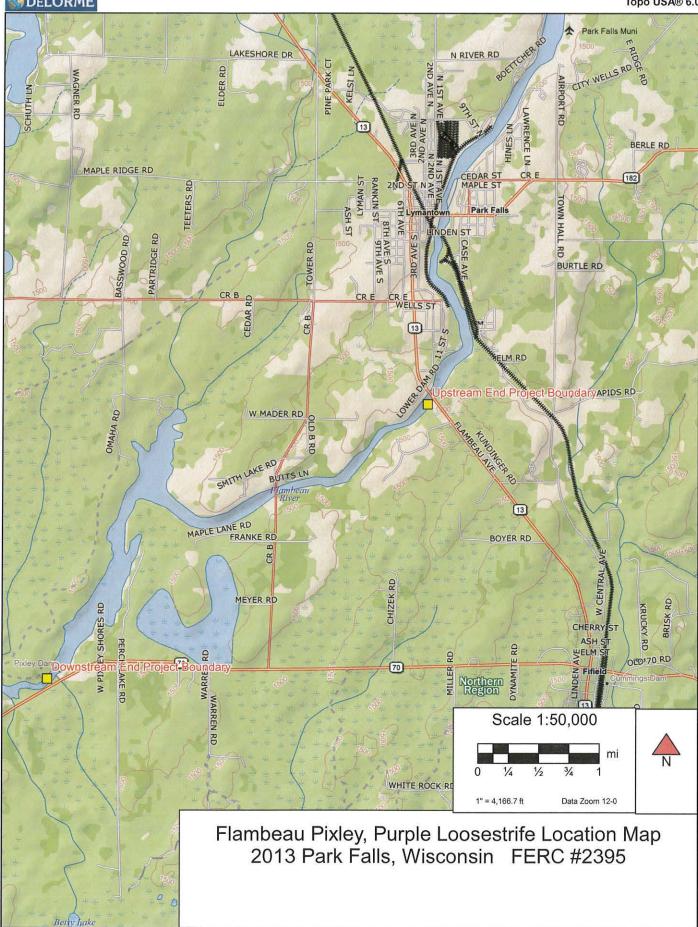
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Crew:

GGR and AKR

Sighting #	GPS Point	Latitude	Longitude	Plant Height	Stand Area	Comments
						No occurrences of purple loosestrife were found
						within the project boundary in 2013.



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PXLY 2013 Purple loosestrife survey day

Year <u>2013</u> Purple Loosestrife Survey

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Date: 8-19-13 Conducted By: ARR 66R								
HWL: 1448.62 TWL: 1427.6 CF5-662								
Time Survey Started: 6:35 Time Survey Ended: 6:49								
Weather Conditions: Cloudy 65°								
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Location of Survey Area: Tailrace Bypass Reach Impoundment								
Time of Sighting(s):								
Location of Sighting(s) (GPS Coordinates):								
Purple Loosestrife:								
Other Species Observed:								
Other Pertinent Survey Information								

Year <u>3013</u> Purple Loosestrife Survey

Flambeau Pixley Hydroelectric Project – FERC # 2395

Date: 8-14-13	Conducted By: AKK	66 K						
HWL: 1448.62	TWL: 1427.6	cfs-662						
Time Survey Started: 11° 45 Weather Conditions: 5unny	Time Survey Ended:	2:00						
Weather Conditions:	- 65° -70°							
Location of Survey Area: Tailrace	Bypass Reach	Impoundment						
Time of Sighting(s):								
Location of Sighting(s) (GPS Coordinates):								
Purple Loosestrife: None Obshued Other Species Observed: Mother + baby 100n, painted tutle blue heron								
Other Pertinent Survey Information								