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Dated: January 7, 2020.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

**Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice**

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

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The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently received by the Secretary of the Commission. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers in ascending order. These filings are available for electronic review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or 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. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Docket No.	File date	Presenter or requester
<b>Prohibited:</b>		
NONE.		
<b>Exempt:</b>		
P-5737-000 .....	12-18-2019	U.S. Congress. <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, Anna G. Eshoo, U.S. Congressman Jimmy Panetta, and Ro Khanna.

Dated: January 8, 2020.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

Deputy Secretary.

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[Project No. 12557-013]

**JG Royal Mill, LLC and JH Royal Mill, LLC; Notice of Application for Surrender of Exemption, Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests**

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

a. *Application Type:* Application for surrender of exemption.

- b. *Project No:* 12557-013.
- c. *Date Filed:* November 25, 2019.
- d. *Applicant:* JG Royal Mill, LLC and JH Royal Mill, LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Royal Mills Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* The 225-kilowatt project is located on the South Branch of the Pawtuxet River in West Warwick, Kent County, Rhode Island. The project does not occupy any federal lands.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. 2705, 2708.
- h. *Applicant Contact:* John Geraghty, Geraghty Associates, Inc. P.O. Box 52, Readville, MA 02137; phone (617) 872-5787, email [geraghty234@gmail.com](mailto:geraghty234@gmail.com).