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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2533-062]

Brainerd Public Utilities; Notice of Waiver of Water Quality Certification

On January 23, 2023, Brainerd Public Utilities filed an application for a license for the Brainerd Hydroelectric Project in the above captioned docket. On February 1, 2023, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (Minnesota PCA) received a complete request for a Clean Water Act section 401(a)(1) water

quality certification from Brainerd Public Utilities in conjunction with the above captioned project.

On February 2, 2023, staff provided Minnesota PCA with written notice that the applicable reasonable period of time for it to act on the certification request was one (1) year from the date of receipt of the request, and that the certification requirement for the license would be waived if the certifying authority failed to act by February 1, 2024. Because Minnesota PCA did not act by February 1, 2024, we are notifying you pursuant to section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1341(a)(1), that waiver of the certification requirement has occurred.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Reissuance of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Low Threat Discharges in Navajo Nation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of final NPDES general permit.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 9 is publishing this notice of availability of its final general NPDES permit (Permit No. NNG990001) for water discharges from facilities classified as low threat located in the Navajo Nation. Use of a general NPDES permit in the location described above allows EPA and dischargers to allocate resources in a more efficient manner, obtain timely permit coverage, and avoid issuing resource intensive individual permits to each facility, while simultaneously providing greater certainty and efficiency to the regulated community while ensuring consistent permit conditions for comparable facilities.

DATES: For purposes of judicial review the permit is considered issued on April 3, 2024. The final permit is effective on May 1, 2024.

ADDRESSES: The final general permit and other related documents in the administrative record are on file and may be inspected any time between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays, at: U.S.

EPA, Region 9, NPDES Permits Office (WTR-2-3), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901.

Copies of the final General Permit, Fact Sheet and Response to Public Comments are available at EPA, Region 9's website at <https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/npdes-permits-epas-pacific-southwest-region-9>. If there are issues accessing the website, please contact EPA via contact information below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Sheth, EPA Region 9, Water Division, NPDES Permits Office; telephone (415) 972-3516; email address: sheth.gary@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Administrative Process

Public notice of EPA Region 9's tentative decision to issue the permit was published in the **Federal Register** on May 25, 2023 (88 FR 33876) and on EPA Region 9's website. The public comment period closed on June 26, 2023. Region 9 received written comments from one party concerning the proposed permit. Region 9 prepared a separate document (Response to Comments) which discusses these comments in more detail and Region 9's responses to the comments.

B. Changes From the Proposed Permit

The final permit contains two minor changes from the proposed permit; these are discussed here and in the final fact sheet. EPA added a specific email address for the New Mexico Environment Department for permittees to report discharges likely to leave Navajo Nation land and reach New Mexico waters. EPA also added a requirement for submitting all required Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) before the finalization of a Notice of Termination.

C. Endangered Species Act Considerations

The ESA and its implementing regulations (50 CFR part 402) require EPA to ensure that any action authorized, funded or carried out by EPA is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any threatened or endangered species or adversely affect its critical habitat. EPA Region 9 concluded that the authorized discharges may affect, but are not likely to adversely affect listed species, and will not adversely affect critical habitat. EPA received a letter of concurrence on this finding from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service on January 10, 2024.