

[Preliminary Lessee], [Lessee Title]  
[Address]

Subject: Selection of the Preliminary Lessee for the Lease of Power Privilege (LOPP) for Hydropower Development at [Site], [Project], [State]

Dear [Preliminary Lessee]:

On [date proposal submitted], in response to the [date of Federal Register Notice] Federal Register Notice, [Preliminary Lessee] submitted a proposal to Reclamation for hydroelectric power development at [Site], [Project], [State]. Upon review of all submitted proposals received through the public process, Reclamation is pleased to notify you that the [Preliminary Lessee/Lessee] has been selected as the preliminary lessee for this LOPP hydropower development project.

As the selected preliminary lessee for this project, the following timeline shall apply:

- [the Preliminary Lessee/Lessee] will have [x] years from the date of this notification letter to provide documentation to support National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance and enter into a LOPP for the proposed development of hydropower at [Site]; and
- [the Preliminary Lessee/Lessee] will have up to [x] years from the date of execution of the LOPP to complete the designs and specifications and an additional [x] year(s) to begin construction.

As a reminder, [the Preliminary Lessee/Lessee] is responsible for all Reclamation costs associated with the development of the LOPP. Reclamation has provided the [the Preliminary Lessee/Lessee] a draft cost-recovery agreement for review.

Reclamation's negotiating team will be xxx, xxx; xxx, xxx; and xxx, xxx.

Please identify the individuals that will serve on your negotiation team so that we may transmit a draft of the LOPP contract approximately [x] days prior to the first negotiation meeting. However, prior to scheduling this first meeting, the cost-recovery agreement must be signed.

We look forward to working with you in the development of hydroelectric power at [Site]. If you have questions, please contact me at (xxx) xxx-xxxx.

Sincerely,

[Regional Director]  
[Title]