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January 13, 2017

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, Northeast
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FERC Project No. 2426 – South SWP Hydropower Filing of Proposed Study Plan

Dear Ms. Bose:

On August 1, 2016, pursuant to Section (§) 5.6 of Title 18 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), and 18 CFR § 5.5, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) a Pre-Application Document (PAD) and related Notice of Intent in support of the Licensees' intent to seek a new license for the South SWP Hydropower (Project), FERC Project Number 2426. DWR and LADWP (Licensees) hold the existing license as joint licensees, and are the current owners and operators of the Project. The existing license expires on January 31, 2022.

In compliance with 18 CFR § 5.11, the Licensees hereby file a Proposed Study Plan (PSP), which is an enclosure to this letter.

Additionally, § 5.11(e) of FERC's Integrated Licensing Process regulations requires that an applicant for a new license hold at least one meeting for the following purposes: (1) to clarify the applicant's PSP and any initial information gathering or study requests, and (2) to attempt to resolve any outstanding issues with respect to the PSP. The initial meeting must be held no later than 30 days after the PSP is filed.

The Licensees have scheduled the required PSP meeting from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, at the Embassy Suites Valencia, 28508 Westinghouse Place, Santa Clarita, California 91355. The Licensees have informed interested stakeholders of the meeting, and posted the PSP and a notice of the meeting on their Relicensing Website: <http://south-swp-hydropower-relicensing.com/>. The meeting will be held in conformance with the Communication Guidelines included in the Licensees' PAD. The Licensees note that, pursuant to 18 CFR § 5.12 of FERC's regulations, any comments from interested parties on the PSP must be filed with FERC by April 13, 2017.

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The Licensees look forward to continuing their work with FERC and other interested parties on the relicensing. If you have any questions about the PSP, please contact Gwen Scholl, DWR's Relicensing Program Manager, at (916) 557-4554 or Anton Sy, LADWP's Project Manager, at (213) 367-2332.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure