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Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, Northeast Washington, DC 20426

FERC Project No. 2426 – South SWP Hydropower Filing of Notice of Intent to File an Application for a New License and Pre-Application Document

Dear Secretary Bose:

This letter files with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) the California Department of Water Resources' (DWR) and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWP) Notice of Intent to File an Application for a New License (NOI, included in Enclosure 1) and Pre-Application Document (PAD, included in Enclosure 2) for a portion of the existing South SWP Hydropower, FERC Project No. 2426. DWR and LADWP (Licensees) jointly hold the initial FERC license, which expires on January 31, 2022.

The current licensed South SWP Hydropower consists of three developments: the Warne and the Castaic Power Developments, which are both located along the West Branch of the State Water Project (SWP) in Los Angeles County, California; and the Devil Canyon Power Development, which is located along the East Branch of the SWP in San Bernardino County, California.

After careful consideration, Licensees request that at the completion of relicensing, FERC issue: one new license to DWR for the Devil Canyon Project, which would include the Devil Canyon Power Development portion of the existing license; and one new license to DWR and LADWP as co-licensees for the South SWP Hydropower facilities that consist of the Warne and Castaic Power Developments.

This letter transmits the Licensees' NOI and PAD for the Warne and Castaic Power Developments. DWR will file an NOI and PAD under separate cover for the Devil Canyon Power Development. Please note that Appendix C of the PAD contains Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) and the information contained in this appendix has been filed electronically as CEII. Also, please note that Appendix H of the PAD contains Privileged material and the information contained in this appendix has been filed electronically as Privileged. Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary August 1, 2016 Page 2

In addition, as provided for in 18 CFR Section (§) 5.5(e), this letter requests that for activities related to the relicensing FERC designate the Licensees as FERC's non-federal representatives for the purposes of consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and the implementing regulations at 36 CFR § 800.2(c)(4), as well as for consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, as amended.

If you have any questions about this matter, 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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