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August 9, 2004

Mr. Takeshi Yamashita, Regional Engineer  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
901 Market Street, Suite 350  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: FERC Project No. 2079-CA, Middle Fork American River Project  
L. L. Anderson (French Meadows) Dam – Modifications For PMF

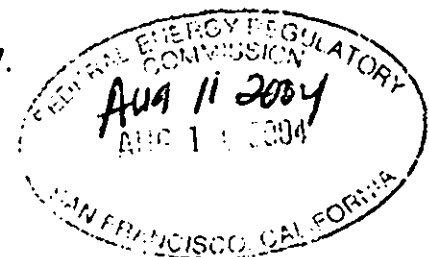
Dear Mr. Yamashita:

The purpose of this letter is to provide a progress report of our coordination activities with the Corps of Engineers which are planned to culminate in the completion of design improvements to L. L. Anderson Dam and construction of these improvements so the dam can safely pass the PMF. Over the last 5 months meetings have been held regularly with the Corps of Engineers (COE), including a design kickoff meeting and a coordination meeting with the Tahoe National Forest on April 29, a design alternatives presentation meeting on July 15, and a COE design team site visit to the French Meadows area on July 20. Meetings are generally held at the COE's Sacramento headquarters. Design team and project management meetings are held frequently, partially due to the coordination required between the many disciplines on the design team, and because modifying L. L. Anderson Dam to pass the PMF is only one project of several projects that are being planned and funded simultaneously to provide an increased level of flood protection for the Sacramento area.

We have provided copies of reports, operational summaries and drawings to the COE in accordance with their requests. We also signed a Right-of-Entry agreement with the COE in order for the COE to begin performing preliminary studies at the dam site. The COE and the US Forest Service are close to finalizing a Special Use Permit, which is required before the COE can begin the initial step of geotechnical investigations which will be drilling three vertical exploratory borings along the North edge of the spillway. Geologic mapping of the existing spillway cut, environmental reviews, and aerial survey mapping of the dam and reservoir are also scheduled to occur before winter sets in.

The COE is currently finalizing their analysis of the design alternatives and flood routing. Their schedule for constructing the preferred improvements is 2007/2008.

If you have any questions, please call Jon Mattson or me at (530) 885-6917.



Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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