FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

Project No. 2079-000--California Middle Fork American River Project Placer County Water Agency

David A. Breninger, General Manager Placer County Water Agency P. O. Box 6570 Auburn, CA 95604

Re: Section 106 Consultation Authorization.

Dear Mr. Breninger:

By copy of this letter, we are authorizing you to initiate consultation with the California State Historic Preservation Officer, appropriate Native American tribes, and other consulting parties, pursuant to 36 CFR 800.2(c)(4) of the regulations implementing section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This consultation pertains to the relicensing effort by you involving the Middle Fork American River Project located along the Middle Fork American River in Placer and El Dorado County, California.

We are granting this authorization in order for you to conduct day-to-day Section 106 consultation responsibilities in regards to the above relicensing effort; however, the Commission remains ultimately responsible for all findings and determination.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Frank Winchell at 202-219-2865.

Sincerely,

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