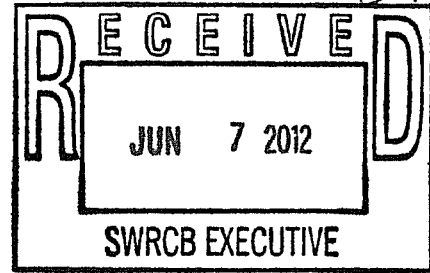




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May 7, 2012



Mr. Charlie Hoppin, Chair
State Water Resources Control Board
Post Office Box 100
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Re: Abeyance of PacifiCorp Energy's Section 401 Clean Water Act Water Quality Certification, Klamath Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 2082

Dear Mr. Hoppin:

On behalf of the parties to the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement ("KHSA") listed below, we write to request that the State Water Resources Control Board ("SWRCB") place on the SWRCB's July 17, 2012 meeting agenda the matter of the abeyance of PacifiCorp Energy's Section 401 Clean Water Act Water Quality Certification, Klamath Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 2082. These parties intend to come before the SWRCB at the July 17, 2012 meeting to advocate for a continuance of the abeyance of the water quality certification process for a period until March 31, 2013, to allow the KHSA settlement parties additional time to implement the KHSA and the conditions thereof, including the enactment of federal legislation authorizing the KHSA. These parties remain steadfastly committed to successful implementation of the KHSA, and believe that the continued abeyance of the California Section 401 Clean Water Act Water Quality Certification process is critical to the success of the KHSA.

We plan to meet with you, your fellow SWRCB members, and SWRCB staff leading up to the July 17, 2012 Board meeting, to answer any questions you may have about the status of the KHSA and the importance of continuation of the abeyance of the California Section 401 Clean Water Act Water Quality Certification process. Please do not hesitate to contact any of the parties listed below if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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California Natural Resources Agency

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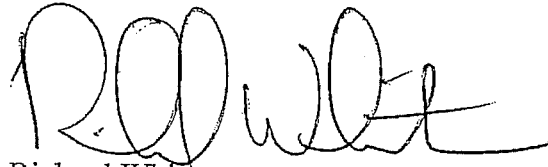
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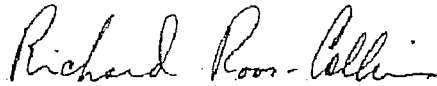
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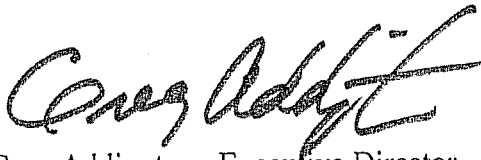
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