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Barbara L. Evoy
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State Water Resources Control Board
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Subject: Upper American River Project (FERC Project No. 2101) Minimum Instream Flow Notification

Dear Ms. Evoy:

By letter dated October 9, 2014 (DPG 14-222), the Sacramento Municipal Utility District notified you that SMUD would not, absent additional precipitation, be able to meet Water Quality Certificate Condition 1.B in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license for the Upper American River Project, Project Number 2101. The letter included a request to suspend the minimum flow requirement below Buck Island Dam. In a letter reply dated October 20, you approved SMUD's request.

This letter is to inform you that subsequent precipitation events have enabled SMUD to meet the required minimum rate without suspension. As of today, SMUD expects that sufficient runoff will be available for collection to storage at Buck Island Reservoir to sustain release below Buck Island Dam at or above the required minimum rate for the foreseeable future.

If you have any questions please contact Mr. Dudley McFadden, Supervisor, Hydrology Group, at Dudley.McFadden@smud.org or (916) 732-5953.

Sincerely,

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