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Mr. Peter Barnes, Engineering Geologist
State Water Board Resource Control Board, Division of Water Rights
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RE: Draft EIR, PG&E Certification UNFFR Project NO 2105

Dear Mr. Barnes:

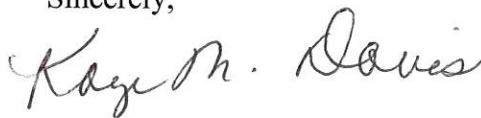
I would like to provide the following for consideration of your Draft EIR. Alternatives 1 and 2 do not seem to have considered the many negative impacts, not only for Plumas County, but all of California.

Three of the most important:

1. Environmental Impact – Rapid growth of algae caused by warmer water in Lake Almanor will not only have an immediate effect on our area but will also negatively impact downstream water in the future - exactly the opposite of your goal.
2. Cultural Impact – Our Native-American population has voiced their concern regarding the disruption to their sacred grounds. As a minority myself, I can definitely identify with their worries that there seems to be a complete disregard to their feelings and traditions.
3. Economic Impact – Tourism is one of the main industries in this area. Without tourism dollars, the Lake Almanor community and all of Plumas County will have a very difficult time providing needed services to its citizens.

In conclusion, please consider the many negative impacts to the citizens of Lake Almanor as well as the rest of California and reject Alternatives 1 and 2. I urge you, instead, to only consider the PG&E Project, as submitted and approved in the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2004, without the release of cold water from Lake Almanor.

Sincerely,



Kaye M. Davis

cc: Sherrie Thrall, Plumas County Supervisor
Ted Gaines, State Senator
Brian Dahle, State Assemblyman