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Via E-Mail commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

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Cal/EPA Headquarters
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Re: July 22, 2010, Third Public Draft of the 401 Certification for the
Relicensing of the Oroville Facilities, FERC #2100

Dear Ms. Townsend:

The South Delta Water Agency would like to join in the comments submitted by the California Sportfishing Protection Alliance ("CSPA") regarding the above matter.

We are especially concerned about the potential impacts on the State's authority to enforce and apply water quality laws, regulations and policies which may be impacted if the suggestions of CSPA are not adopted. Similarly, the concerns raised regarding the future ability and need to condition the SWP Oroville permits to provide for downstream and Delta flows must also be addressed.

Now that it is clear that there will be no meaningful additional supply developed on the Sacramento system and that additional flows will be necessary to protect the environment and fulfill area of origin needs, we must make sure that any approvals or licensing of the SWP (and CVP) facilities contain the proper conditions, restrictions and obligations.

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment, and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Herrick".

JOHN HERRICK