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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

Subject:

Transmittal of the Final Historic Properties Study Report Entitled: Cultural Resources Inventory, National Register of Historic Places Evaluations, and Finding of Effect for the Yuba River Development Project Relicensing, Nevada, Yuba, and Sierra Counties, California (FERC No. 2246).

Dear Secretary Bose:

The Yuba County Water Agency (YCWA) hereby files with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) a final historic properties study report: Cultural Resources Inventory, National Register of Historic Places Evaluations, and Finding of Effect for the Yuba River Development Project Relicensing, Nevada, Yuba, and Sierra Counties, California (FERC No. 2246).

In accordance with 36 CFR §800, this report was submitted to participating tribes and agencies on October 15, 2013 for review and comment, and to the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) for review and concurrence on August 7, 2014. YCWA received comments from several agencies and tribes, including the SHPO, and addressed those comments accordingly. For information on agency and tribal comments and YCWA's responses to those comments, please see Appendix O of the enclosed report. YCWA will address any further cultural resources concerns regarding both archaeological and built environment resources identified during the historic properties study in the Historic Properties Management Plan.

Please file the enclosed report and letter in the Commission's non-public file.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or comments. For cultural resources-related questions, please contact Ms. Dawn Ramsey Ford by telephone at 916-679-8812 or by email at dawn.ramsey@hdrinc.com.

Sincerely,

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Attachments:

(1) Cultural Resources Inventory, National Register of Historic Places Evaluations, and Finding of Effect for the Yuba River Development Project Relicensing, Nevada, Yuba, and Sierra Counties, California (FERC No. 2246).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in this proceeding (Yuba River Development Project, FERC Project No. 2246).

Dated in Sacramento, CA this 6th day of January, 2015.

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