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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
888 – 1st Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20426-0001

**Subject: Yuba River Development Project
FERC Project No. 2246-042 – California
Report for Period from January 1, 2017 Through December 31, 2017 in
Compliance with the Log Cabin and Our House Diversion Dams Sediment
Management Plan**

Dear Secretary Bose:

This letter provides to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) the *Report for Period from January 1, 2017 Through December 31, 2017 in Compliance with the Log Cabin and Our House Diversion Dams Sediment Management Plan*, dated April 2018 (2017 Report).

BACKGROUND

In a letter dated November 5, 2013, FERC directed the Yuba County Water Agency (YCWA) to develop a plan for a permanent, long-term solution for sediment control at Log Cabin Diversion Dam, and to file the plan with FERC for approval. Further, to be proactive, YCWA addressed sediment control in Our House Diversion Dam, another Project dam which has had sediment issues in the past. The *Log Cabin and Our House Diversion Dams Sediment Management Plan* (Plan) was developed in consultation with appropriate federal, state and local agencies and filed with FERC on May 20, 2014. FERC approved the mechanical sediment removal and emergency sediment removal portions of the Plan on September 23, 2014, and approved the sediment passage portions of the Plan on March 4, 2016.

The Plan requires that YCWA file with FERC a report summarizing sediment management activities and associated monitoring each year in which sediment management occurs.

In 2017, YCWA removed sediment from both Log Cabin and Our House diversion dam impoundments, conducted sediment passage at Our House Diversion Dam, and performed associated monitoring.

REPORT

YCWA's 2017 Report is attached to this letter. The United States Army Corps of Engineers, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Forest Service, State Water Resource Control Board, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board and California Department of Fish and Wildlife have a 45-day written comment period on the sediment passage portion of the report from the date of filing. If there are any comments, YCWA will address them and refile the report with FERC no later than 30 days after the due date for receiving the agencies' written comments on the draft report.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Curt Aikens
General Manager

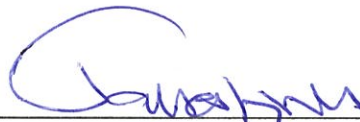
Attachment: Report for Period from January 1, 2017 Through December 31, 2017 in Compliance with the Log Cabin and Our House Diversion Dams Sediment Management Plan

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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. 2246-042).

Dated in Sacramento, CA this 6 day of April, 2018.



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