



February 10, 2011

Via Electronic Filing

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

**RE: Don Pedro Project FERC No. 2299
Filing of Notice of Intent and Pre-Application Document
Commencement of Project Relicensing**

Dear Ms. Bose:

Turlock Irrigation District (TID) and Modesto Irrigation District (MID) (collectively, the Districts), co-licensees of the Don Pedro Project (Project) located on the Tuolumne River in California are herewith filing their Notice of Intent (NOI) to seek a new license for the Project. The Districts will use the Integrated Licensing Process (ILP) as outlined in 18 CFR Part 5 of the Commission regulations.

The NOI was prepared in accordance with Section 5.5 of the regulations. The NOI also contains the Districts' request to be designated as the Commission's non-federal representative for purposes of consultation under Section 7 of the federal Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR Part 402, Section 305(b) of the Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The NOI also contains the Districts' request for authorization to initiate consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

This letter also serves to transmit the Districts' Pre-Application Document (PAD) prepared in accordance with 18 CFR Part 5.6 of the Commission regulations. Included in the PAD (Section 2.0) is a proposed Process Plan and Schedule for the relicensing process. The Districts propose that the Scoping Meeting and Site Visit occur on May 18 and 19, 2011 and look forward to coordinating with Commission staff on the details of these public meetings.

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The Districts have developed an initial Relicensing Participant Contact List which is included in Appendix B of the PAD. A public website has been established to facilitate relicensing communications at www.donpedro-relicensing.com.

The Districts look forward to working with Commission staff and all relicensing participants throughout the relicensing process.

Sincerely,



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cc: Relicensing Participant Contract List