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Dear Secretary Bose:

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We are writing in regard to pending regulatory decisions affecting Project 2105, a federally regulated and licensed hydroelectric project owned and operated by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) in Plumas County, California.

For 15 years, we have owned property at Lake Almanor, which provides water storage for this project as well as important recreational and economic opportunities for Plumas County residents. We believe that a wrong decision could spell economic disaster for Lake Almanor and its thousands of stakeholders as well as having devastating environmental impacts.

PG&E's FERC license for Project 2105 expired in October 2004, and since then PG&E has actively worked to obtain a new license. Along the way, local residents and property owners formed the 2105 Working Group to ensure that the license contains provisions that recognize the importance of the project, and in particular the lake, to Plumas County. A Settlement Agreement was executed in April 2004 that was expected to provide the basis of the new Project 2105 FERC license. Only the California State Water Resources Control, Board (CSWRCB) failed to agree with this settlement, offering alternative proposals.

We believe that the CSWRCB's proposals will drain the lake, already struggling from years of drought, to dangerously low levels; raise water temperatures by draining the coldest water, increasing algae levels; and reduce fisheries. These changes will have a ruinous impact on local wildlife and the local economy, whose families are dependent on a healthy lake environment.

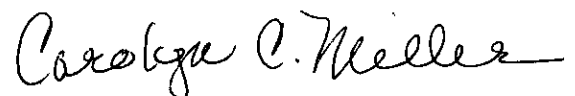
Specifically, we are opposed to Alternatives One and Two of SWRCB's 2014 draft proposal, and Alternative Three of the agency's 2020 draft that is now before you. We urge you to approve the PG&E project as submitted and approved in the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2004, without the additional release of cold water from Lake Almanor.

Sincerely,

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