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In reply refer to:
Project No. 2105-CA

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RE: Operation Inspection for U. North Fork Feather River Project (P-2105)

Dear Mr. Livingston:

This letter is to confirm the arrangements Mr. Leon Holden, staff civil engineer of this office, made with Mr. Bill Zemke of P.G. & E. staff concerning the operation inspection for the U. North Fork Feather River Project. As agreed, the inspections will begin on Tuesday, August 31, 2004.

Please have available and be prepared to discuss minimum flow data for the project. Also have available pertinent maintenance data for the project and information regarding any unscheduled shutdowns (over 24 hours) of power generating units since the FERC 2003 operation inspection.

Security at hydropower projects is an important and critical issue. During the inspection, a discussion will be held with appropriate personnel of your staff to assess the security of the projects and the adequacy of your responses. We will be reviewing your security measures to determine if reasonable measures are in place, and we also will be reviewing your vulnerability assessment for the Lake Almanor Dam in detail. Your staff should be prepared to review and discuss your security measures at the time of inspection. Please ensure that the proper documentation and security personnel are available to review these security matters at the time of the inspection.

This on-site, one-on-one discussion is an opportunity for an open, but protected, dialog on project security requirements and how they are being met, or can better be met. It is important to note that all information related to the security at your project, including what is discussed during the operation inspection of your project, has not and will not be available in the Commission's public records. We encourage you to continue sharing your ideas and issues with us as a means of improving project security for yourself and for others

By copy of this letter, appropriate Federal and State agencies are informed of the inspection arrangements in the event they wish to arrange for a representative to accompany the inspection party.

We thank you and appreciate your cooperation in dam safety matters. If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact Mr. Leon Holden of this office at (415) 369-3363 or by e-mail at leon.holden@ferc.gov.

Sincerely,

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