



27 March 2017

Thomas Howard, Executive Director
California State Water Resources Control Board
PO Box 100
Sacramento, CA 95812-0100

Subject: Lassen Lodge Hydroelectric Project FERC Project No. 12946-002
Re: Withdrawal of Application for Water Quality Certification & Re-Submittal of
Application for Water Quality Certification

Dear Mr. Howard:

On May 20, 2014, Rugraw, LLC (Rugraw) filed with the State Water Resources Control Board an application for Water Quality Certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act in support of Rugraw's application for a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license for the proposed Lassen Lodge Hydroelectric Project, FERC Project No. 12496-002 (Project). The application was also made pursuant to Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 28, Article 1, of the California Code of Regulations.

Rugraw attached to its May 20, 2014, Section 401 application its April 21, 2014, final license application filed with the FERC. The FERC application, as subsequently amended, contained all information required under Section 3856 of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations in regards to contents of a complete application for a water quality certificate.

At this time, and by copy of this letter, Rugraw formally withdraws without prejudice its May 20, 2014 application for water quality certification for the Project licensing.

Also, at this time, and by copy of this letter, Rugraw formally submits a new application for a Water Quality Certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act for the Project licensing. The Project has not changed, so the May 20, 2014, FERC application, as amended, which the SWRCB has on file, contains all information required for a complete application for a water quality certificate. With this resubmittal of its water quality certificate application that meets the application filing requirements, please reset the one-year time clock for the Board to act on a request for a water quality certification, so this time should now be March 27, 2018.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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