

June 12, 2012

State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA

Re: Consideration of proposed resolution to amend Resolution 2011-0005



Dear Board Members,

The California Hydropower Reform Coalition (CHRC) strongly supports amending Resolution 2011-0005 as proposed. The amendment will facilitate the issuance of water quality certifications.

CHRC members have worked closely with Water Board staff for many years on the relicensing of FERC-administered hydropower facilities. Addressing the delays in the issuance of water quality certifications is one of our main issues in this regard. This amendment will help to alleviate the problem.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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