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Via Email and FTP Site

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Water Rights
Attn: California WaterFix Hearing Staff
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Re: Sacramento County Water Agency's Submittal of Testimony and Exhibits For California WaterFix Petition for Change Hearing

Dear Hearing Chair Doduc, Hearing Officer Marcus and California WaterFix Hearing Staff:

Protestant Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA) hereby submits its written testimony for the hearing on the Department of Water Resources' and the United States Bureau of Reclamation's water rights change petition for the California WaterFix Project. This submittal includes: written direct testimony of Michael Peterson (SCWA Agency Engineer), Michael Grinstead (SCWA Senior Engineer), Forrest Williams (SCWA Senior Engineer), Steffen Mehl (Larry Walker Associates), and Laura Foglia (Larry Walker Associates), SCWA's testimony exhibit index, and the exhibits referenced in the testimony.

In addition, as explained in SCWA's protest submittal, SCWA has previously coordinated and collaborated with the other Sacramento Valley Water User (SVWU), North State Water Alliance (NSWA), and American River Water Agency (ARWA) parties in preparing and submitting detailed comments on the Bay-Delta Conservation Plan Draft EIR/EIS (DEIR/EIS), and the California Water Fix Recirculated DEIR/Supplemental DEIS (RDEIR/SDEIS). SCWA has also been coordinating with the SVWU and ARWA parties in preparing for and conducting cross-examination of the petitioners' witnesses during their case-in-chief in this proceeding.

With regard to Part 1B of this hearing and this submittal, SCWA is also coordinating with the SVWU and ARWA parties in presenting a consolidated case-inchief on certain common issues, including issues regarding whether the requested

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changes would operate to the injury of any legal user of the water involved. Consistent with this approach, the SVWU and ARWA parties, respectively, are jointly submitting written testimony and exhibits prepared by their expert witnesses from MBK Engineers, HDR Engineering, and Cardno on these common issues (as explained and identified in the SVWU and ARWA parties' respective Notices of Intent to Appear that were previously filed). The submittals by the SVWU and ARWA parties are fully incorporated into SCWA's direct case-in-chief.

Finally, SCWA and the other SVWU and ARWA parties will, by the September 15th deadline, submit proposed groupings and order of parties for direct testimony in Part 1B of the hearing. SCWA appreciates your consideration of this submittal.

Sincerely,

Aaron A. Ferguson, Attorney Authorized Representative

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cc: CA WaterFix Service List

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY and STATEMENT OF SERVICE

CALIFORNIA WATERFIX PETITION HEARING Department of Water Resources and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Petitioners)

I hereby certify that on August 31, 2016, I submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board and caused a true and correct copy of the following document(s):

- 1. OPENING BRIEF
- 2. THIRD REVISED NOTICE OF INTENT
- 3. LETTER TO WATER BOARD RE SUBMITTAL OF TESTIMONY AND **EXHIBITS**
- 4. EXHIBIT INDEX
- 5. AND ALL EXHIBITS THERETO

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https://ftp.waterboards.ca.gov/?u=water fix download&p=waterfix123. This Notice of Availability and Statement of Service was served by Electronic Mail (email) upon the parties listed in Table 1 of the Current Service List for the California WaterFix Petition hearing, dated August 31, 2016, posted by the State Water Resources Control Board at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/bay_delta/california_waterfix/servi ce list.shtml:

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct and that this document was executed on August

31, 2016

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