August 14, 2017

The Honorable Felicia Marcus, Chair
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Re: SDWA Parties’ Reply to DWR and Joinder

Dear Hearing Officers Doduc and Marcus:

The South Delta Water Agency, Central Delta Water Agency, Heritage Lands, Mark Bachetti Farms and Rudy Mussi Investments L.P.’s, the (“SDWA Parties”) have reviewed DWR’s response of August 11, 2017 to the California Delta Alliance’s, (“Delta Alliance”) letter of August 3, 2017. DWR’s response does nothing to change the fact that you, as the Hearing Officers, previously and logically determine that Part2 of the CWF hearing should not begin prior to United States Department of Interior, (“DOI”) completing its environmental review processes and its issuance of a Record Of Decision, (“ROD”). DWR cannot logically align itself as a co-petitioner with DOI and distance itself from same because DOI has yet to complete its processes. Furthermore, in order to avoid repetition, the SDWA Parties join in the reply submitted by the Delta Alliance on August 14, 2017.

Very truly yours,

HARRIS, PERISHO & RUIZ

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