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Peter Barnes, Engineering Geologist
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Water Quality Certification Program
P.O. Box 2000
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Re: Draft EIR, PG&E Certification UNFFR Project No. 2105

Dear Mr. Barnes:

We are writing to express our opposition to Alternatives 1 & 2 as described in the Draft EIR. We are residents of the Lake Almanor community and feel strongly that the EIR does not adequately evaluate the significant impact of the proposed project on the local economy, the local environment and the quality of life of residents in the Lake Almanor Basin. Increased water temperatures, increased algae, and reduced fisheries will have a devastating impact on the local economy which is heavily dependent on the excellent reputation of Lake Almanor as a fishing and recreational lake.

Plumas County and the Lake Almanor Communities in general are still suffering from the effects of the Great Recession. The potential loss of tourism, of more lost jobs, of more closed businesses, and lower property values that I feel would result from the thermal curtain/increased release Alternatives makes pursuing these Alternative reckless and unreasonable.

PG&E, the County, and other stakeholders held extensive negotiations and developed and approved the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2012, which addressed this issue without the additional release of cold water from Lake Almanor. That solution is already in place and should be the project adopted.

To consider Alternatives 1 & 2, with their obvious negative impacts in so many ways is bad policy.

Sincerely,



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