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August 24, 2009

The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
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Washington, DC 20426-0001

filed electronically

Ref: P-606-027-CA, Kilarc-Cow Creek Hydroelectric Project

Re: REPLY COMMENTS addressing Implications in PG&E's August 20, 2009 Filing

Dear Ms. Bose:

PG&E's subject filing, on page 16, quotes the Tetrick Parties' Brief at page 35 in reference to the fact that "(m)embers of the local community were not generally aware of PG&E's proposed decommissioning until 2007."²⁴ PG&E then states, "This statement is simply not accurate."

PG&E's corresponding footnote 24, states "This same assertion is made in comments filed by the Save Kilarc Committee. *See* Letter from Laura Carnley to Kimberly D. Bose, FERC (July 13, 2009) *available at* eLibrary Accession No. 20090713-5192." The footnote thereby implies that the assertions made in my letter are simply not accurate. We dispute this implication.

My letter stated "The Save Kilarc Committee has been engaged in PG&E's license surrender process since before the initial applicant scoping meeting in February 2007. We are the local community stakeholders." Thus, PG&E's statement that the Save Kilarc Committee made the same assertion about being "not generally aware" until 2007 is simply not accurate.

With regard to the timeline relevant to who was informed and who was ENGAGED in PG&E's license surrender plan development, my letter clearly stated "The concept for this plan [the "Decommissioning Plan"] was first introduced to us in March 2007 - after PG&E developed a March 2005 agreement for signature by a group of stakeholders from which the community was excluded.."

The balance of PG&E's argument on page 16 of its filing references the fact that PG&E did inform the local community of its decisions and invited comments. There is NO

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evidence, however, to dispute the following recitation of PG&E's subsequent outreach to the community that was made in my letter, "In September 2007, PG&E released a lengthy document describing a plan for review and comment. ***PG&E then incorporated the same plan, without taking into consideration comments received by the community, into its "Draft License Surrender Application" dated September 4, 2008.*** The plan, virtually unchanged since it was first conceived by PG&E, would be an unmitigated disaster for the Whitmore Community and is totally unnecessary. [emphasis added]"

In summary, **PG&E's latest filing**, that couples the statement made in the Tetric Parties' Brief regarding the community's awareness of PG&E's action, **again does not provide a valid argument against the Save Kilarc Committee's valid complaint that PG&E has dismissed and ignored our concerns from the development of the March 2005 agreement to the present.**

To repeat what we have consistently requested since the FERC has become proactively involved in this process: Please do not ignore the community. A win-win solution can be achieved if PG&E will leave Kilarc facilities in place and support the community even slightly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Carnley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Laura Carnley for
Whitmore Community Stakeholders

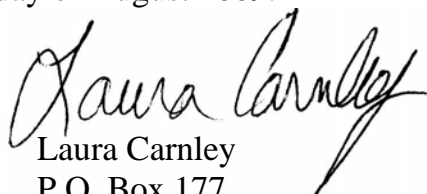
cc: FERC P-606 Service List and additional interested parties

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have on this day served the foregoing document by first class mail postage prepaid or email upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary of the Commission in this proceeding.

Dated at Redding, CA this 24th day of August 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Carnley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and a long, sweeping tail on the "y".

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