









September 13, 2021

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Potter Valley Project (Project No. 77)

Dear Secretary Bose:

Mendocino County Inland Water and Power Commission, Sonoma County Water Agency, California Trout, Inc., the County of Humboldt, and the Round Valley Indian Tribes (NOI Parties) hereby provide this informational update to our September 2 letter requesting that the Commission grant an abeyance in the relicensing proceeding for the Potter Valley Project (Project), until May 31, 2022.

In that letter, we stated that the State of California's FY 2022 budget includes \$2.7 million designated for studies related to the Project. The budget, in its final revision dated September 10, does not include that line item. As a result, the NOI Parties are pursuing this amount from programmatic funds included in the budget for purposes of grants for fisheries and water supply. We will provide further informational updates as appropriate.

Please contact Mike Swiger at <u>mas@vnf.com</u> or (202) 298-1891 with any questions about this submittal.

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Respectfully submitted,

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