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Ms. Victoria Whitney, Chief  
State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Water Rights  
State Water Resources Control Board  
P.O. Box 2000  
Sacramento, CA 95814-2000

**Re: Water Right Application 30384, Response to Protest by Chris Malan, Living Rivers Council**

Dear Ms. Whitney:

We received the protest from Chris Malan, Living Rivers Council, dated August 17, 2009 against the referenced application.

The Applicant understands that this application is subject to environmental review pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and believes that the concerns expressed by Living Rivers Council will be addressed during such review. Also, as part of CEQA review the Applicant is agreeable to performing a water availability analysis upon the identification of the "points of interest" by the SWRCB.

We do not expect resolution of this protest prior to completion of the water availability analysis and the environment document. Therefore, we request that the SWRCB hold this protest in abeyance until these documents have been completed and provided to the Living Rivers Council.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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