

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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OFFICE OF HYDROPOWER LICENSING

Project No. 7454-005--California  
Weber Dam Project  
El Dorado Irrigation District

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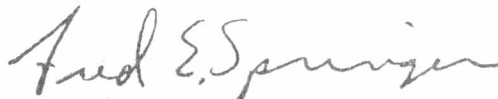
Dear Mr. McKain:

This letter concerns a meeting held on July 30, 1997 regarding short-term remedial actions at Weber Dam and long-term solutions for a surrender of your exemption. At that meeting, staff from El Dorado Irrigation District stated that the board was now considering a different option than the one presented in your surrender application filed February 27, 1997 and additional information filed June 13, 1997. In those filings, you stated that the long-term remediation plan was the same as the temporary drawdown required by the Commission's Division of Dam Safety and Inspections. Both the Commission and the California Department of Safety of Dams have indicated that is not acceptable as a long-term solution.

Please be aware that we cannot process or public notice your surrender application until a final plan has been received. In order that we may begin our review of your surrender petition, pursuant to section 4.102 of the regulations, please submit your final plan for the long-term remediation of the environmental and safety problems and disposition of project works at Weber Dam within 90 days of the date of this letter. Your plan should also include evidence of consultation with the appropriate resource agencies.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Hillary Berlin at (202) 219-0038.

Sincerely,



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