

August 19, 2024

Mr. Jack D. Murray, Senior VP and Regional Manager  
Desert Southwest Region, Western Area Power Administration  
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RE: Proposed 2028 Parker-Davis Project Power Marketing Plan

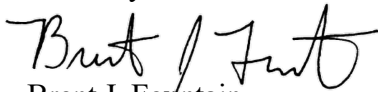
Dear Mr. Murray:

The San Diego Water Authority (Water Authority) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Western Area Power Administration's (Western's) proposed 2028 Parker-Davis Project Power Marketing Plan (Proposed Plan). The Water Authority provides a safe and reliable water supply to sustain the San Diego region's \$268 billion economy and quality of life for 3.3 million residents. Energy is a vital component of treating and conveying water, and therefore part of providing a reliable water supply. The Water Authority continually pursues cost reduction measures, such as obtaining energy at lower rates. This includes participating as a Schedule D Contractor with the Boulder Canyon Project.

Western's Proposed Plan outlines a resource pool for allocations to new contractors. The Proposed Plan also defines new contractor eligibility criteria which specifically excludes entities with an existing allocation of Federal power. The Water Authority supports the need to achieve widespread use of Federal hydroelectric power. However, existing Schedule D Contractors, such as the Water Authority, should be included as qualified applicants for the new resource pool. These Contractors have not realized the long-running benefits from the Parker-Davis Project, nor any Federal hydropower project; therefore, they should be allowed to apply for an allocation under the 2028 Parker-Davis Project Power Marketing Plan.

Please contact me at (858) 522-6806 should you have any questions or if you need further information.

Sincerely,



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