

1.0 SUPPORT FOR APPLICATIONS FOR NEW LICENSE

Southern California Edison Company (SCE) is applying to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) for new Licenses for the existing Big Creek Nos. 1 and 2 Hydroelectric Project; Big Creek Nos. 2A, 8 and Eastwood Hydroelectric Project; and the Big Creek No. 3 Hydroelectric Project. These three Applications for New License for Major Project – Existing Dam are filed pursuant to the Commission’s regulations at 18 CFR §§ 4.34(i), 4.51, and 16.9. This Amended Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment (APDEA) was prepared by SCE in support of these three applications and the November 30, 2005 Application for New License for the Mammoth Pool Hydroelectric Project. Together, all four hydroelectric projects that are covered by this APDEA may be referred to as the “Project” and the licensing process is referred to as the Big Creek Alternative Licensing Process (BCALP).

The existing Big Creek Nos. 1 and 2 Hydroelectric Project is designated as Project No. 2175 in the records of the Commission, pursuant to a License issued by the Commission on March 27, 1959 and effective on March 1, 1959, for a period of 50 years, and terminating on February 28, 2009. The project is located in Fresno County, California near the town of Big Creek within the Big Creek watershed. The project occupies 1877.96 acres of federal lands.

The existing Big Creek Nos. 2A, 8 and Eastwood Hydroelectric Project is designated as Project No. 67 in the records of the Commission, pursuant to a License issued by the Commission on August 9, 1978 and effective on August 1, 1978, for a period of 31 years, and terminating on February 28, 2009. The Big Creek Nos. 2A, 8 and Eastwood Hydroelectric Project is located in Fresno County, California near the town of Shaver Lake within the South Fork San Joaquin River, Big Creek, and Stevenson Creek watersheds. The Project occupies 2143.25 acres of federal lands

The existing Big Creek No. 3 Hydroelectric Project is designated as Project No. 120 in the records of the Commission, pursuant to a License issued by the Commission on September 7, 1977, and effective on September 1, 1977, for a period of 32 years, and terminating on February 28, 2009. The Big Creek No. 3 Hydroelectric Project is located in Fresno and Madera Counties, California near the town of Auberry within the San Joaquin River watershed. The Project occupies 377.16 acres of federal lands.

SCE used the Commission’s Alternative Licensing Process to develop the Applications for New License for these three hydroelectric projects and the Mammoth Pool Hydroelectric Project.

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