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Mr. Arthur Baggett, Jr.
Hearing Officer, Chairman of State Water
Resources Control Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 "I" Street, 22nd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SWRCB Hearings

Dear Chairman Baggett:

After discussing the "delay request" letters with IID staff, the following minor clarifications should be made to Mr. Osias's letter of yesterday:

1. The June 25 IID Board meeting is a general Board meeting, not one specifically dedicated to the EIR/EIS, though public comments are allowed. In a stream of e-mails between IID staff and the County there were mixed date references. I have confirmed that the possible certification is at IID's Board meeting on June 28.

2. Because Imperial County is a public agency commenting on the various EIR/EIS documents, it received the materials stated in Mr. Osias's letter, per CEQA guidelines. However, though Audubon received the documents related to the QSA PEIR (much smaller in scope), since it is not a public agency under CEQA it has not yet been sent all materials. The EIR/EIS is being finalized and all changes will be provided to all parties.

I apologize if there was any confusion on the above two topics. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Attached service list.