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Comments on “Operating Procedure for the Relicensing of the Saluda Hydroelectric Project FERC Project 516” submitted by the League of Women Voters of the Columbia Area.

Dar Mr. Argentieri:

This letter is to express our support for the comments submitted by the SC Coastal Conservation League, American Rivers, and Lake Murray Watch.

The League of Women Voters, as an organization dedicated to an open and accountable governmental process as well as to the full participation of the public in that process would like to see the Operating Procedures reflect these concerns. We believe that time spent on the front end in ensuring that the operating process incorporate these principles will save time in the long run and avoid a lot of back end second guessing.

As we have said before, Lake Murray is an invaluable resource for the people of the Columbia area and indeed for the whole state from a recreational standpoint and as a source of water for human consumption as well as for industrial and recreational uses.

We request that this letter be posted on the web site.

We wish SCE@G and all the participating stakeholders well as this process proceeds and look forward to participating in it.

Sincerely,

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