



SOUTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

An affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation

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William R. Argentieri
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101 Trade Zone Drive
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Re: South Carolina Wildlife Federation Official Comments on Operating Procedures for the Relicensing of the Saluda Hydroelectric Project FERC Project 516

Dear Mr. Argentieri:

The South Carolina Wildlife Federation wishes to officially support the comments submitted by the Coastal Conservation League, American Rivers, and Lake Murray Watch regarding Operating Procedures. We request that this support be posted on the web site.

The Operating Procedures drafted by the Project managers do not support the FERC goal that the process improve the quality of the final relicensing product.

The Federation intends to assist in developing strategies to protect the habitat of the wildlife and people which depend upon the natural areas of the project lands, as well as downstream.

Federation experience with other relicensing efforts in South Carolina indicates that a true collaborative process is necessary to meet relicensing objectives that better meet the needs of Lake users.

We appreciate the opportunity to support these important comments.

Sincerely,

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