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# Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

## **California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption for** Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification

To: Office of Planning and Research From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Central Valley Region, Redding Office

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**Date:** 16 June 2020

**<u>Project Title:</u>** Volta Nora Penstock Foundation Project

Project Location - Specific: Section: 16 Township: 30 North, Range: 1 East

Latitude: 40.460264° and Longitude: -121.867099°

**Project Location - County:** Shasta County

### Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will remove deadweight non-structural concrete to relieve unnecessary shell stress, restore foundational support to the penstock where it crosses Millseat Creek, protect pipewall from further corrosion and armor the penstock to protect from rockfall damage.

#### Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:

State Agency approval for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Redding Branch Office.

WDID #5A45CR00588

### Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company 3600 Meadowview Drive Redding, CA 96002

#### Exempt Status:

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15301 – Existing Facilities

Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

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Reasons why Project is Exempt:

This project is Categorically Exempt under CEQA Section 15301.

The project involves the maintenance of an existing structure with no expansion of use.

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