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May 13th, 2022

Jennifer Eberlien
Regional Forester
Attn: SERAL Draft ROD 3 [DN_3] – Rapidly Responding to Changing Environmental Conditions
1323 Club Drive
Vallejo, CA 94592

Dear Ms. Eberlien,

Sierra Pacific has been fully involved in each stage of the SERAL project, submitting detailed commentary for each step of this project. A comment letter detailing our proposed changes to the SERAL DEIS on January 20th, 2022, and a comment letter addressing SERAL Draft ROD 3 was submitted on May 13th, 2022. This comment emphasized an overall robust support for this project and the good it could do for our community and our forests. We strongly encourage and fully support the implementation of the actions drafted for approval in the third and final SERAL decision.

As the modifications recommended by SPI were clearly communicated in the aforementioned DEIS comment letter, and because we acted as Intervenor during the May 13th, 2022 SERAL Draft ROD #2 Objection Meeting, we would like to formally request to be Intervenor in the Objection process and meetings/discussions for any and all Objections submitted for Draft ROD 3 (DN_3) – Rapidly Responding to Changing Environmental Conditions. Considering SPI's knowledge of the project area, our conduction of timber operations and facilitation of federal timber contracts, and lastly, our vested interest in the Stanislaus National Forest (it being a significant contributor of raw materials that support our infrastructure and our employment of over 300 local individuals,) all lend themselves to our ability to contribute to discussions concerning Objections.

Lead Objector Representatives

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Project: The SERAL Project: Draft Record of Decision #3 (DN_3) – Rapidly Responding to Changing Environmental Conditions

Responsible Official: Jason Kuiken, Forest Supervisor

Aspects of the Proposed Project Addressed by Objection:

Sierra Pacific Industries does not identify any aspect of this draft ROD as violating law, regulation, or policy. As stated previously in this correspondence, Sierra Pacific Industries made clear in the January 20th comment letter addressing the DEIS our support for Alternative 1, as well as modifications we believed necessary to ensure the efficacy of this momentous project. These modifications address issues including, but not limited to:

- CWE Analysis and Salvage Response Time
- Salvage and Hazard Tree Abatement

Because we addressed these in our initial DEIS comment, we believe that our intentions are clear for what aspects would improve the SERAL project and ROD 3 – Rapidly Responding to Changing Environmental Conditions, and that our input would be valuable in any and all Objection discussions.

If there are any issues or additional information needed to pertaining to our request, please contact us immediately.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'HG' with a stylized flourish.

Hannah Grabowski
Sierra Pacific Industries – Sonora Division
Procurement Forester