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The Honorable Kevin J. McIntyre
Chairman
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: P-2035-099, FERC Environmental Assessment for Denver Water's Hydropower License
Amendment Application

Dear Secretary Bose:

I write to convey my support for the conclusion of the Supplemental Environmental Assessment
for Denver Water's Hydropower License Amendment for the Gross Reservoir Expansion
Project.

Gross Reservoir, as part of the broader Moffat Collection System, is a critical component of
Colorado's water infrastructure. With the rapid growth of the Denver metropolitan area, it is
essential to take steps now to meet the area's water and energy needs. Expanding Gross
Reservoir to allow for increased water storage is a key part of Denver Water's long term plan to
increase system resiliency and dependability. It will allow Denver Water to meet the needs of
millions of Coloradans who depend on it for their water.

Denver Water began the federal regulatory process for the expansion of Gross Reservoir in 2003.
As part of the process Denver Water has agreed to several modifications of the project to reduce
the impact on the environment and local community. After 15 years of environmental, scientific,
and engineering study, I believe it is time for this project to begin and construction to get under
way.

Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Diana DeGette
Member of Congress