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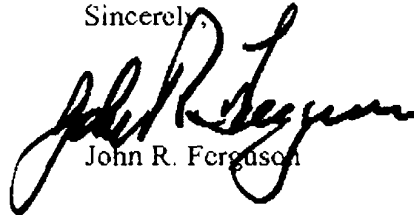
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Dear Ms. Billmyre:

Re: Reliant Energy Power Generation, Inc., et al. v. California Independent System Operator Corp., et al., Case No. 71 198 00295 99.

In his letter of November 1, 1999, Mr. Eagan, counsel for Reliant, takes the position that the six months within which an arbitration decision must be issued began to run with the selection of Ms. Hargis. This assertion cannot be supported. While the parties initially agreed upon the selection of Ms. Hargis, her disclosure statement raised issues that negated her appointment. Since Ms. Hargis was not actually appointed, the six month period did not begin to run and, indeed, has not yet begun to run..

Sincerely,



John R. Ferguson

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