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House passes conduit hydropower bill

Statement of NHA Executive Director Linda Church Ciocci

Washington, D.C. (March 7, 2012) – The following is a statement from Linda Church Ciocci, Executive Director of the National Hydropower Association, on the passage of H.R. 2842, the Bureau of Reclamation Small Conduit Hydropower Development and Rural Jobs Act:

“The National Hydropower Association was pleased to see bipartisan agreement on an important energy issue – support of additional small conduit hydropower generation. Both Republicans and Democrats highlighted the need for increasing hydropower’s energy, environmental and job creation benefits during the debate on H.R. 2842, Bureau of Reclamation Small Conduit Hydropower Development and Rural Jobs Act.

“We greatly appreciate and commend the work of the bill’s bipartisan co-sponsors – Representatives Tipton (R-CO), Coffman (R-CO), Costa (D-CA), Gosar (R-AZ), McClintock (R-CA) and Smith (R-NE) – and the leadership of Natural Resources Committee Chairman Hastings (R-WA) to highlight the tremendous growth potential of these low impact conduit hydropower resources and to seek House passage.

“NHA looks forward to working with the Senate to secure final passage and the President’s signature this year.”

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