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Mr. Kirk C. Johansen
General Chairman
Sierra Nevada Swimming
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Dear Kirk,

I am writing this letter as a formal first step of the ongoing process of merging our two LSCs. It has been determined that USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, specifically Article 604 LSC Redistricting Procedures, have no true provisions for merging LSCs per se. Rather the provisions are limited to the change of affiliation of a border club from one LSC to another, the transfer of affiliation of a portion of the territory of one LSC to an adjacent LSC, and the secession of a portion of one LSC to form a new LSC. With the guidance of USA Swimming we have jointly agreed that the rules pertaining to the transfer of affiliation of territory from one LSC to an adjacent LSC, and this case the entire territory of the former LSC to the latter LSC, is the operative section of the United States Swimming Rules and Regulations (Section 604.2) under which a merger can take place.

The provisions of Section 604.2 provide that if two-thirds of the clubs within a territory request the transfer of affiliation, then the approval of two-thirds of those present at each of the respective Houses of Delegates is required to ratify the transfer of territory. Central California Swimming has assumed the responsibility of requesting the transfer of territory affiliation.

Central California Swimming has twenty-one registered clubs, which would, therefore, require that fourteen of those clubs need to request the territory affiliation change. As of this date, I have received letters requesting the merger of our territories from sixteen clubs with verbal commitments from two more clubs. As such, I am formally requesting that the territories of Central California Swimming and Sierra Nevada Swimming be merged to form Sierra Valley Swimming and that we take this request to our respective Houses of Delegates for approval subject to the provisions of the Joint Resolution/Memorandum of Understanding and the adoption of the Bylaws of Sierra Valley Swimming.

Sincerely



James D. Patterson
General Chairman