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I would like to encourage DEQ to do what's right for the state and work with Aethon to do the following:

- Immediately reduce the monthly load of salts currently authorized in both the existing and proposed discharge permit;
- Implement a one or two-year compliance schedule to achieve significant reductions in the concentration of chloride allowed in Badwater Creek. The DEQ's proposal to allow Aethon four more years to achieve full compliance with chloride standards is just too long;
- Deny any future requests to weaken the regulatory chloride standard currently applicable to Badwater Creek.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.