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Pursuant to Rules 8.3 and 8.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, GenOn California North, LLC hereby provides notice of the following ex parte communication in the above-referenced proceeding.

On October 4, 2011, at approximately 10:15 a.m., Eric Leuze, Director, California Regulatory Affairs for GenOn Energy, Inc., had a brief conversation with Commissioner Mark Ferron that touched upon issues in this proceeding. The conversation (an oral communication) occurred during the Independent Energy Producers Association Annual Meeting at Fallen Leaf Lake in South Lake Tahoe, an event attended by representatives of a number of different entities involved in various aspects of the energy industry, including independent power producers, investor owned utilities, other load serving entities, governmental agencies and authorities, and consumer groups. The conversation occurred spontaneously during a break between programming at the event and was not a scheduled meeting. The conversation lasted no more than five minutes.

During the short conversation, Mr. Leuze referenced Commissioner Ferron's earlier presentation at the meeting and remarks regarding reliability and safety and the associated cost. Mr. Leuze suggested that given that the electric system must be able to accommodate all reasonable scenarios, and that under some of these scenarios new generating capacity is likely to be required based on ongoing analysis by the CAISO, and recognizing that it is likely to take seven to nine years from the time procurement is authorized to when new capacity can be on-line, the Commission will likely need to authorize additional procurement in this long-term procurement plan cycle to assure local reliability.

To receive a copy of this ex parte notice, please contact Sallie Lopes at (415) 591-1466 or <a href="mailto:slopes@winston.com">slopes@winston.com</a>.

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