CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION ADVICE LETTER FILING SUMMARY ENERGY UTILITY MUST BE COMPLETED BY LSE (Attach additional pages as needed) Company name/CPUC Utility No. Noble Americas Energy Solutions LLC Contact Person for questions and approval letters: Greg Bass Utility type: ☑ ELC \Box GAS Phone #: 619-684-8199 E-mail: GBass@NobleSolutions.com \Box PLC \Box HEAT \Box WATER EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE (Date Filed/ Received Stamp by CPUC) ELC = ElectricGAS = GasPLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat WATER = Water Advice Letter (AL) #: 43-ESP Subject of AL: Greenhouse Gas Emission Performance Standard Tier Designation: 1 2 3 Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): AL filing type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other If AL filed in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution: D.07-01-039 Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL No Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL¹: N/A Resolution Required? □ Yes ☑ No No. of tariff sheets: N/A Requested effective date: March 13, 2012 Estimated system annual revenue effect: (%):N/A Estimated system average rate effect (%):N/A When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting). Tariff schedules affected: N/A Service affected and changes proposed¹: N/A Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets: N/A Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this filing, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to: Utility Info (including e-mail) **CPUC**, Energy Division

Attention: Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102 <u>jjr@cpuc.ca.gov</u> and jnj@cpuc.ca.gov

¹ Discuss in AL if more space is needed.



February 10, 2012

CA Public Utilities Commission Energy Division Attention: Tariff Unit 505 Van Ness Avenue, 4th Floor San Francisco, CA 94102-3298

Re: GHG Environmental Performance Standard (EPS) Compliance Filing

Pursuant to Ordering Paragraph No. 4 of Decision ("D.") 07-01-039, issued in R. 06-04-009 on January 25, 2007, Noble Americas Energy Solutions LLC ("Noble Solutions") hereby submits this annual Attestation Letter affirming that the financial commitments Noble Solutions has entered into for generation during the prior calendar year are in compliance with the greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions performance standard ("EPS"). Specifically, Noble Solutions is in compliance with the EPS.

Effective Date: March 13, 2012 - 30 days after filing

Tier Designation: Tier 2 Designation

Purpose

This Attestation Letter provides information as required by D.07-01-039 for LSEs (electrical corporation, electric service provider, or community choice aggregator) with new long-term financial commitments (defined on Page 3 in Attachment 7 of D.07-01-039). This Attestation Letter demonstrates that for 2011, all financial commitments entered into by Noble Solutions are compliant with the EPS.

Background

D.07-01-039 requires all Load Serving Entities ("LSEs") to file annual Attestation Letters, due February 15 of each year, attesting to the Commission that the financial commitments entered into for generation during the prior calendar year are in compliance with the EPS. D.07-01-039 requires LSEs to file Attestation Letters as an advice letter and serve the Attestation Letter on the service list in Rulemaking ("R.") 06-04-009. This Attestation Letter is filed pursuant to that process.

D.07-01-039 requires LSEs to include a listing of long-term financial commitments of five years or longer that they have entered into during the prior year. Note that long-term financial commitments can be compliant if any of the following apply:

- 1) not in a baseload powerplant;
- 2) generation using pre-approved renewable resource technology;
- 3) existing combined-cycle combustion turbine (in operation/or permitted to operate as of 6/30/07) with an increase in rated capacity less than 50 megawatts (MW);
- 4) net emission rate of each baseload facility underlying a covered procurement does not exceed 1,100 lbs of CO₂ per megawatt hour (MWh);
- 5) Exemption related to: reliability exemption, extraordinary circumstances or financial harm, and CO₂ sequestration through injection in geological formations.

This Attestation Letter comports with the requirements outlined above.

Protests

This compliance filing is not subject to protest pursuant to General Order 96-B, Energy Industry Rule 9.

Correspondence

Any correspondence regarding this compliance filing should be sent by email to the attention of:

Greg Bass (GBass@NobleSolutions.com) Bryan White (BWhite@NobleSolutions.com)

Compliance Documentation

The following paragraph is information regarding Noble Solutions' long-term financial commitment that is subject to the EPS requirements.

Noble Solutions did not enter into any long-term financial commitments in 2011.

CERTIFICATION

- (1) I have reviewed, or have caused to be reviewed, this compliance submittal.
- (2) Based on my knowledge, information, or belief, this compliance submittal does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements true.
- (3) Based on my knowledge, information, or belief, this compliance submittal contains all of the information required to be provided by Commission orders, rules, and regulations.

Include the name and contact information for the LSE officer(s) certifying the above:

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