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Pursuant to Rule 8.3 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Clean Coalition submits the following notice of ex parte communication regarding the above captioned proceeding (R.11-05-005).

On Monday, April 25, 2012 at 2:00 p.m., Clean Coalition Associate Executive Director, Ted Ko, met with Sara Kamins, advisor to Commissioner Ferron to discuss R.11-05-005; specifically, the proposed decision (PD) issued by ALJ DeAngelis on March 20, 2012 regarding the SB 32 Feed-in Tariff (FiT). The meeting was held at the Commission's offices, located at 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California and lasted approximately 30 minutes. The communication was oral, and was initiated by Clean Coalition. No written materials were distributed during the communication.

Mr. Ko explained how the proposed decision would implement a program that functionally acted like an auction rather than a feed-in tariff. He recommended the following change to the proposed decision in order to avoid the high risk of project and program failure: (1) Increase the overall program size to 1,000 MW across the IOUs (2) Increase the monthly "buckets" size so

that price movements in the Re-MAT were not triggered by one or two projects (3) establish a price floor at a normalized RAM price.

Mr. Ko also explained how the definition of “strategically located” employed in the proposed decision was dangerously vague given the high uncertainty and open-ended liability being returned in current interconnection study results.

Respectfully submitted,

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