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Pursuant to Rule 8.3 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Independent Energy Producers Association (IEP) submits this Notice of Ex Parte Communication.

On April 16, 2012 at approximately 4:45 p.m., Brian Cragg, outside counsel for IEP, had an ex parte telephone conversation with Damon Franz, advisor to President Peevey. The call was initiated by Mr. Cragg and lasted for approximately 3 minutes. No written materials were used in connection with the communication.

In addition, on April 16, 2012 at approximately 4:48 p.m., Mr. Cragg had an ex parte telephone conversation with Matthew Tisdale, advisor to Commissioner Florio. The call was initiated by Mr. Cragg and lasted for approximately 4 minutes. No written materials were used in connection with the communication.

Finally, on April 16, 2012 at approximately 4:55 p.m., Mr. Cragg left a voicemail for Colette Kersten, advisor to Commissioner Sandoval. The call was initiated by Mr. Cragg and lasted for approximately 2 minutes. No written materials were used in connection with the communication.

During the calls, Mr. Cragg discussed recent revisions to the PD on Track I and

Track III of this proceeding (issued on February 21, 2012). Mr. Cragg stated that IEP believes that the PD is progressing in the right direction, in particular with regard to its approach to power plants using once-through cooling. However, IEP was disappointed that the revisions still do not address IEP's proposed comparison methodology for evaluating utility-owned generation versus independent power producers' projects.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of April, 2012 at San Francisco, California.

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