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Right back at you Alope, and Arthur, Audrey and Liza.

It was productive, interesting and challenging, and I might add makes a nice contrast to the more formal mechanisms that tend to be the rule in the regulated world.

I know I'm not alone saying that I encourage you to reconvene informally as often as you need to tackle and advance these issues. (Although feel free to pick a non-stormed-in airport for the next one!)

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Hello All:

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you all for participating in last week's brainstorming session on Storage OIR next steps. I found the level of discussion to be very high quality with solid contributions by all parties. It is clear you are very engaged on the storage issues and your ideas/feedback will be very helpful to us as we transition into phase 2. I hope you found it stimulating as well and I think it will be useful to continue this informal "working group" activity periodically to keep up the collaborative effort we have begun. With the now added benefit of Arthur's experience and guidance, I look forward to working with him and you all in picking up

the pace in tackling the issues in phase 2. Thank you, again.

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Hello:

This is to re-confirm the meeting planned for 4/12 at 1:30 (in Room 4010 at CPUC) that we have verbally discussed with you earlier. The invitees include CESA and IOU representatives, along with CPUC staff. As mentioned before, the meeting is intended to be an informal, brainstorming session on Storage OIR/next steps *without* a fixed agenda or schedule. We have reserved the afternoon to allow ample opportunities for people to discuss their ideas, but can end earlier per consensus of the attendees. A bridge will be set up for call-in.

We have at least two goals for the meeting. One is to introduce a new addition to the CPUC staff (Arthur O'Donell) who will be dedicated to the Storage OIR. Another goal is to explore ideas for transitioning from the recently issued final staff proposal into phase 2 of the rulemaking and how to proceed with the proposed analytical framework in terms of the actual nuts & bolts of cost-effectiveness methodology, barrier resolution, evaluation of policy options, etc. There are no formal presentations scheduled; however, attendees are welcome to offer informal handouts to facilitate discussion. To allow for a productive, interactive discussion, it would be good to limit the number of attendees per organization.

Feel free to share your suggestions for topics with me in advance of the meeting.

Thanks,

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