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NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

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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 9, 2012 at approximately 1:25 p.m., Steven Kelly, Policy Director for IEP, and Brian Cragg, outside counsel for IEP, met with Michael Colvin and Sara Kamins, advisors to Commissioner Ferron, and Charlotte TerKeurst, Commissioner Ferron's Chief of Staff. The meeting was held at the California Public Utilities Commission, was initiated by Mr. Cragg and lasted for approximately 10 minutes. No written materials were used in connection with the communication.

During the meeting, Mr. Kelly and Mr. Cragg discussed the Assigned Commissioner's Ruling (ACR) regarding 2012 Renewable Portfolio Standard procurement plans, issued in this proceeding on April 5, 2012. Mr. Kelly and Mr. Cragg questioned whether the ACR's apparent focus on increasing transparency can be reconciled with the Commission's existing rules regarding the confidentiality of electric procurement data, as set forth in Decision 06-06-066.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of April, 2012 at San Francisco, California.

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VERIFICATION

I am an attorney for the Independent Energy Producers Association in this matter. IEP is absent from the City and County of San Francisco, where my office is located, and under Rule 1.11(d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I am submitting this verification on behalf of IEP for that reason. I have read the attached "Notice of Ex Parte Communication," dated April 12, 2012. I am informed and believe, and on that ground allege, that the matters stated in this document are true.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 12th day of April, 2012, at San Francisco, California.

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