

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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Refine Procurement Policies and Consider
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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
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Order Instituting Rulemaking to Integrate and Refine Procurement Policies and Consider Long-Term Procurement Plans

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MOTION OF ORMAT TECHNOLOGIES INC. FOR PARTY STATUS

This Motion of Ormat Technologies Inc. (“Ormat Technologies”) for Party Status (“Motion”) is filed under Rules 1.4 and 11.1 of the California Public Utilities Commission’s (“Commission”) Rules of Practice and Procedure.

I. DESCRIPTION OF ORMAT TECHNOLOGIES

Ormat Technologies is a worldwide developer/owner of geothermal renewable energy facilities. Ormat Technologies currently operates 225 MW of renewable geothermal energy to serve California load. Ormat Technologies is developing new firm but flexible geothermal resources in or near California to support the fulfillment of California’s Renewables Portfolio Standard (“RPS”) and may bid into a variety of resource solicitations held by California’s utilities.

II. STATEMENT OF INTEREST

On September 14, 2012 Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) David E Gamson issued a ruling in R. 12-03-014 requesting comments on six questions concerning changes to IOU procurement that may be used to inform either Track 1 or Track 2 of this proceeding. By this

Motion, Ormat Technologies seeks party status in order to file comments responding to ALJ Gamson's request and to participate further as necessary.

Ormat Technologies has been participating in related proceedings such as R. 11-05-005 and the Renewable Auction Mechanism Advice Letters. ALJ Gamson is asking questions that go directly to many of Ormat Technologies' concerns and having reviewed those questions we believe it is now time for us to step forward in this proceeding and offer our input to help ensure the Commission compiles a robust and complete record with as much input from diverse parties as possible. The comments we submit responding to the questions in ALJ Gamson's September 14, 2012 ruling directly relate to the potential significant impact that the issues discussed therein may have on Ormat Technologies' business in California. Depending on how the proceeding further unfolds related to those comments, Ormat Technologies contemplates further appropriate participation as an active party in this proceeding. Ormat Technologies' interests are not represented by any party to this proceeding, will not unduly broaden the proceeding, and its comments are directly relevant to the issues raised in ALJ Gamson's ruling of September 14, 2012. Therefore, the request set forth in this Motion should be granted.

III. SERVICE

All notices, orders, pleadings, and other correspondence in this proceeding should be addressed to the following:

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IV. CONCLUSION

Ormat Technologies' participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any party and will not delay the schedule or broaden the scope of the issues in the proceeding. For the reasons stated above, Ormat Technologies respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion and provide Ormat Technologies full party status in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: October 5, 2012

VERIFICATION

I, Paul Thomsen, am the Director, Policy & Business Development of Ormat Technologies, Inc. I am authorized to make this Verification on its behalf. I declare under penalty of perjury that the statements in the foregoing copy of **Motion of Ormat Technologies for Party Status** dated October 5, 2012 are true of my own knowledge, except as to the matters which are therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on October 5, 2012 at Reno, Nevada.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul A. Thomsen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

Paul Thomsen
Director, Policy & Business Development, Ormat Technologies Inc.