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Thanks Meredith

Jason L. Simon, CFA

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**From:** Allen, Meredith [mailto:MEAe@pge.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2012 10:41 PM  
**To:** Simon, Jason  
**Subject:** CONFIDENTIAL: Rice Solar Data Request

Hi Jason,

Below are the responses to Q5. The bolded information is confidential. A declaration and matrix are attached.

Please let me know if you need more information.

Thanks,

Meredith

## **SOLAR RESERVE RESPONSE**

*Is it accurate to say that the costs of transmission (i.e. any network upgrades) will be borne by WAPA and not CA ratepayers? If not, what network upgrade costs will CA be responsible for?*

All Project interconnection and transmission costs have been clearly identified and will be funded by the Project. These costs are identified in both the WAPA LGIA and the WAPA Firm Transmission Service Agreement as required for the Project.

There are no CAISO interconnection network upgrade costs attributable to this Project. In addition, there is sufficient capacity at Mead intertie to facilitate PG&E's Resource Adequacy regulatory compliance needs, and sufficient transmission and market capacity downstream of Mead to mitigate the risk of congestion downstream of Mead. Any system upgrade costs to be identified after Cluster 5 in the new CAISO integrated transmission planning and generator interconnection processes are outside the scope of this Project.

## **PG&E RESPONSE**

*Is it accurate to say that the costs of transmission (i.e. any network upgrades) will be borne by WAPA and not CA ratepayers?*

Network upgrade and transmission costs on the WAPA system are borne by the Project and WAPA. These costs are identified in both the WAPA LGIA and the WAPA Firm Transmission Service Agreement as required for the Project. To PG&E's knowledge, no CAISO network upgrades have been identified nor any upgrade costs allocated to this project for importing the Project's power to CAISO.

*If not, what network upgrade costs will CA be responsible for?*

To PG&E's knowledge, no CAISO network upgrades have been identified nor any upgrade costs allocated to this project for importing the Project's power to CAISO. The project relies

on “Service Agreement No. 1992 - Pseudo Participating Generator Agreement between California Independent System Operator and Rice Solar Energy, LLC” dated June 10, 2011 to import the power into CAISO grid.

*Is there an estimated cost/MWh that has been assigned to the NMV?*

**No additional upgrade costs have been included in PG&E’s NMV calculation for the Project.**

**From:** Simon, Jason [<mailto:jason.simon@cpuc.ca.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2012 4:52 PM  
**To:** Allen, Meredith  
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Hi Meredith,

This resolution will be going in January at this point if Rice can’t give us a response. It is likely to be held as well which pushes the resolution past January. Can you please push them to give us an answer. It’s in their best interest. Otherwise they are looking at more delays.

Thanks.

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**From:** Allen, Meredith [<mailto:MEAe@pge.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2012 9:18 AM  
**To:** Simon, Jason  
**Subject:** RE: Rice Solar Data Request

Hi Jason,

Attached is the response for all questions except for 5. We will have that response tomorrow. Please let me know if you need that response today.

Thanks,

Meredith

**From:** Simon, Jason [<mailto:jason.simon@cpuc.ca.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 05, 2012 9:13 AM  
**To:** Allen, Meredith  
**Subject:** Rice Solar Data Request

Good morning Meredith,

Can you please check in with Rice this AM and see where they are at? This will get pushed off if I don't get the information today.

Thanks,

Jason L. Simon, CFA

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