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Pursuant to Article 8 of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, the California Environmental Justice Alliance (CEJA) and Sierra Club hereby file this notice of the following oral ex parte communications in the matter of R.12-03-014.

On December 11, 2013, from approximately 3-3:30pm, Matthew Vespa, and attorney for Sierra Club and Shana Lazerow, an attorney for CEJA, met at the Commission's offices in San Francisco with Ms. Khosrowjah and Mr. Poirier, advisors to Commissioner Florio. Sierra Club provided Ms. Khosrowjah and Mr. Poirier with a copy of press reports concerning an action in the Los Angeles area directed at drawing attention to the impacts of fossil fuel generation to public health and the environment.¹

During the meeting, Mr. Vespa and Ms. Lazerow discussed the concerns of Sierra Club and CEJA regarding the environmental and public health implications of additional fossil fuel procurement as a response to the retirement of San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS). Mr. Vespa noted that Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions have increased in state by 35% since SONGS shut down, and emphasized that the importance of ensuring this does not become a permanent situation. Ms. Lazerow described the community's added concerns about local impacts on gas generation. Mr. Vespa explained that the record shows there is no need to authorize additional fossil fuel procurement.

¹ Copies of these press clippings are served herewith.

Mr. Vespa and Ms. Lazerow reiterated their request for a Public Participation Hearing (PPH) to allow for robust community input prior to any decision that would allow procurement of new fossil fuel generation in the LA Basin and San Diego, and their concerns that the Pio Pico proceeding, which is occurring nearly simultaneously with Track 4, may approve wasteful generation due only to the Commission's failure to synchronize the two proceedings.

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Respectfully submitted,

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