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**I. INTRODUCTION**

Pursuant to Rules 1.4 and 11.1 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, Orleans/Somes Bar Fire Safe Council (“OSBFSC”) respectfully moves for party status in this proceeding.

OSBFSC requests party status for the specific purpose of providing comments on the vegetation management section of the proposed decision to be issued in this proceeding.

**II. DISCUSSION**

OSBFSC is located in Orleans, California, a densely-forested area of far northern California. It was established to help plan, implement and monitor the reinstatement of historic fire regimes primarily through the use of strategic fuel reduction in a manner that protects life and property, and improves forest health. OSBFSC is a member of the Fire Safe Councils of Siskiyou and Humboldt County that, in turn, are members of the California Fire Safe Council that

incorporates fire safe councils throughout the state from Siskiyou to San Diego Counties.

OSBFSC has long and deep experience with its local terrain and fire ecology. Their experience with fuel management was cited in this proceeding by the Office of Ratepayer Advocates in Exhibit 205, pp. 141-142. OSBFSC believes that its experience, and its cooperation with other local and state fire councils, would offer the Commission with a valuable perspective on vegetation management and fire risk reduction that no other party to this proceeding can provide.

### **III. SERVICE**

Services of notices, orders, and other communications and correspondence in this proceeding should be directed to OSBFSC at the address set forth below:

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### **IV. CONCLUSION**

OSBFSC's 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. OSBFSC will submit comments on the proposed decision in accordance with the Rules of Practice and Procedure and any other directives provided by the Commission when the proposed decision is issued. For the reasons stated above, Orleans/Somes Bar Fire Safe Council respectfully requests the Commission grant this Motion for Party Status.

Respectfully signed and submitted on March 21, 2014.

ORLEANS/SOMES BAR FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

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