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Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the California Public Utilities Commission’s (“Commission”) Rules of Practice and Procedure, Marin Clean Energy (“MCE”)¹ hereby gives notice of the following *ex parte* communication.

The communication occurred on April 25, 2014 at approximately 11:45 a.m. The communication was oral, was initiated by MCE and occurred both at the Commission’s offices in San Francisco and via teleconference. The communication was among Jeremy Waen, Regulatory Analyst for MCE; Shalini Swaroop, Regulatory Counsel for MCE ; Scott Blaising, counsel for MCE in this matter; and Nick Chaset, Advisor to Commissioner Michael Picker. Ms. Swaroop and Mr. Blaising participated in the meeting via teleconference. The meeting lasted 15 minutes.

Representatives of MCE reiterated and emphasized various points contained in MCE’s comments on the preliminary Scoping Memo, summarized as follows:

A separate phase should be established in this proceeding to address Community Choice Aggregation (“CCA”) departing load issues and the applicability of the Power Charge Indifference

¹ On December 5, 2013, the Marin Energy Authority adopted the name Marin Clean Energy for its legal entity name. For purposes of clarity, Marin Clean Energy has always been the name of the community choice aggregation (“CCA”) program created by the Marin Energy Authority to purchase cleaner, renewable energy. The Board of Directors of the Marin Energy Authority voted to change the official entity name to Marin Clean Energy to match the name of its CCA program. Thus, Marin Clean Energy is now also the name of the not-for-profit, joint powers public agency formed by the City of Richmond, the County of Marin, and eleven Marin cities and towns.

Adjustment (“PCIA”). This should be done both as a matter of order and efficiency, so as to not delay timely decisions that need to be issued in this proceeding, and also as a matter of fairness, since the Commission has yet to address an outstanding question from a past Long Term Procurement Plan (“LTPP”) decision (D.08-09-012), namely, whether there is now a sufficient history of CCA departing load to warrant changes to CCA departing load rules.

The issues to be addressed in a separate phase of this LTPP proceeding differ from those the Commission addressed recently in the Track 3 LTPP decision (D.14-02-040). Specifically, in D.14-02-040 the Commission addressed the manner in which CCA load would be forecasted and *manually or expressly* excluded from the utilities’ bundled procurement plan, whereas a separate phase of this LTPP proceeding would address whether there is now sufficient history to *implicitly* exclude a certain amount of CCA departing load from the utilities’ bundled procurement plan. This latter approach was adopted in D.08-09-012 for municipal departing load and customer generation departing load, yet the issue for CCA departing load was reserved for a future LTPP proceeding.

Issues affecting CCA departing load and the applicability of the PCIA have a long history of being addressed in LTPP proceedings. Recent Commission decisions direct that PCIA-related issues be addressed in existing proceedings, like the LTPP.

Respectfully submitted,



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