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Monterey County Farm Bureau objects, and requests denial of, the motion made by California Unions for Reliable Energy (“CURE”) requesting that official status of party to the proceeding be conferred on their organization.

We outline our specifics for denial of this motion:

- CURE seeks to become a party to the proceeding after the initial period to make this request has expired. In fairness to all other parties that made timely requests, have participated in proceedings and briefings to date, the approval of a new party jeopardizes the element of trust developed by participating parties throughout this lengthy process.
- It is unclear how the admission of a new party to the proceeding would impact the Settlements made between parties and California American Water in July 2013, currently pending before the Commission. Would the admission of a new party thus allow for a petition or motion to participate in, or modify, the existing Settlement agreements?

- The proceeding timeframe has now moved to the Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact report (“DEIR”) and related comment period; CURE is welcome to offer their comments to the DEIR without status of party to the proceeding.

For these reasons, Monterey County Farm Bureau urges the denial of the “Motion to Become a Party” submitted by CURE on June 22, 2015.

Dated: June 24, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Norman C. Groot', written in a cursive style.

Norman C. Groot, Executive Director
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