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Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, Marin Clean Energy (“MCE”) hereby gives notice of the following *ex parte* communication. The communication was initiated by MCE and occurred on August 24, 2016 at approximately 12:30 PM at the California Public Utilities Commission offices. The communication was between Dawn Weisz, MCE Executive Director, Jeremy Waen, MCE Senior Regulatory Analyst, and Rachel Peterson, Advisor to Commissioner Randolph and lasted approximately 30 minutes.

The communication included a discussion of MCE’s concerns with the Application recently submitted by the Pacific Gas and Electric (“PG&E”) Company regarding its proposal to decommission the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant (“DCPP”). MCE’s representatives voiced their strong support for the closure of DCPP and the Application’s stated intent to replace DCPP generation with greenhouse gas (“GHG”)-free electricity generation and energy efficiency (“EE”); however, MCE’s representatives also voiced their strong reservations regarding both the Application’s request for procurement authorization without a formal needs assessment and the unprecedented request for “on-behalf-of” cost and benefit sharing of the replacement power that would extend to CCA customers. Additionally MCE’s representatives also called into question

how the EE procurement described in tranches 1 and 2 of the proposal would risk circumventing existing proceedings at the CPUC to evaluate the future administration of EE programs. Lastly MCE's representatives stressed the importance for the Commission to respect and preserve the procurement autonomy of CCAs by not allowing PG&E to impose new forms of “on behalf of” procurement CCAs and CCA customers.

Respectfully submitted,

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