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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to
Address Utility Cost and Revenue Issues
Associated with Greenhouse Gas
Emissions.

Rulemaking 11-03-012
(Filed March 30, 2012)

**LATE FILED NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION
BY THE UNION OF CONCERNED SCIENTISTS**

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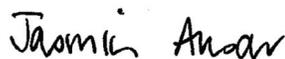
Pursuant to Rule 8.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Union of Concerned Scientists (“UCS”) respectfully reports the following ex parte communication.

On March 26, 2012, Jasmin Ansar, Climate Economist and Dan Kalb, California Policy Manager met with Sara Kamins, Advisor to Commissioner Ferron, for approximately 30 minutes. The meeting took place at 3:30 pm, at the offices of the California Public Utilities Commission. The meeting was initiated by Ms. Ansar.

Ms Ansar and Mr. Kalb summarized UCS’s and the Joint Parties position on the allocation of revenues generated from the sale of greenhouse gas (“GHG”) allowances. Ms. Ansar emphasized the importance of returning allowance value to retail customers on a non-volumetric basis to retain the carbon price signal in retail rates and preserve incentives for energy efficiency. Mr. Kalb discussed the recommendations of both the Economic and Allocation Advisory Committee (EAAC) and the Economic and Technology Advancement and Advisory Committee (ETAAC) that argued for a portion of allowance value be used to strategically fund longer term carbon reductions initiatives.

To obtain a copy of this notice, please notify Jasmin Ansar at (510) 09-1570 or via email at jansar@ucsusa.org.

Respectfully submitted,



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