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I. Introduction

Energy Pathways respectfully moves for party status in this proceeding in accordance with Section 1.4 of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure.

II. Interest in this Proceeding

Energy Pathways has the relevant expertise and would like permission to participate in this proceeding.

A. Energy Pathways is an independent consulting firm specializing in onsite microgrid design, development strategy, and Combined Heat and Power (CHP) and distributed generation project deployment for high-intensity energy users, including tribal governments, hospitals, data centers, biotech campuses, military bases and other critical infrastructure.

Carol Denning, President of Energy Pathways, previously served as Director of the U.S. Department of Energy's CHP Technical Assistance Partnership for the Western United States and has over 15 years of direct microgrid development experience with major independent providers such as NRG and Clearway Energy. B. Energy Pathways works to advance resilient, affordable, and low-carbon energy solutions for communities and facilities that depend on reliable distributed energy systems. The information, technical expertise, and practical experience Energy Pathways can provide are directly relevant to the issues in Application A.25-04-006, including:

- The appropriate treatment and inclusion of CHP and thermal energy infrastructure within microgrid frameworks which address thermal loads.

- The impacts of SoCalGas's proposed Design, Build, Own, Operate, and Maintain business model on independent developers, competitive market access, and customer choice.

- The consistency of this application with California's policy goals under SB 1339 and existing restrictions under Public Utilities Code § 216.3 on utility ownership of generation assets.

Energy Pathways intends to share technical perspectives and stakeholder insight that will help the Commission ensure any approved tariff supports fair competition, customer value, and technology neutrality.

III. Notice

Service of notices, orders, and other correspondence in this proceeding should be directed to Energy Pathways at the address set forth below:

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IV. Conclusion

Energy Pathways' participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any party and will not delay the schedule or broaden the scope of the issues under review. For the reasons stated above, Energy Pathways respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion for Party Status.

Dated: June 30, 2025

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Carol Denning Carol Denning President Energy Pathways, LLC Tel: (530)513-2799 E-mail: caroldenning@enegy-pathways.net