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Pursuant to Rule 8.4(a) of the California Public Utilities Commission's ("CPUC") Rules of Practice and Procedure, California Resources Production Corporation ("CRCP") hereby gives notice of an ex parte communication in the above captioned proceeding.

I. DATE AND TIME OF THE ORAL COMMUNICATION

The meeting was held on November 5, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

II. LOCATION

The meeting was held virtually on Webex.

III. WHO INITIATED COMMUNICATION

CRCP initiated communication.

IV. NAMES AND TITLES OF NON-CPUC ATTENDEES PRESENT

Seth Hilton, Stoel Rives LLP
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V. NAME AND TITLE OF CPUC ATTENDEE PRESENT

Kourtney Vaccaro, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Douglas

VI. DESCRIPTION OF COMMUNICATION

CRPC urged the Commission to withdraw the proposed decision to correct its legal, procedural, and factual deficiencies. CRPC explained that the proposed decision represents a significant departure from Commission precedent and relies on an incorrect legal standard. CRPC further noted that the proposed decision improperly resolves issues that were not identified as threshold matters, thereby depriving the parties of an opportunity to address them. CRPC further identified several factual errors in the proposed decision, which were made without support from a complete or proper evidentiary record.

CRPC also discussed the potential environmental and economic consequences of potentially ceasing operation of the Union Island Pipeline. Forcing the pipeline to shutdown would result in the loss of local jobs at CRPC and among its producer partners. Additionally, approximately 200 landowners in western San Joaquin County would lose the royalty income they currently receive from natural gas production that utilizes the pipeline. CRPC also explained that ceasing operations would lead to greater reliance on imported natural gas from Canada or other out-of-state sources, increasing greenhouse gas emissions.

VII. WRITTEN MATERIALS PROVIDED

CRPC presented slides, attached hereto as **Attachment A**, to support its points, titled “*A Different Kind of Energy Company*” *California Resources Pipeline Company, LLC*.

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Respectfully submitted,

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