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Repeated Application for Confidential Designation: 2025 Energy Code Compliance Provider Application Materials

Docket No. 25-BSTD-01

Dear Mr. Tamayo:

The California Energy Commission (CEC) has received CHEERS, Inc.'s (applicant) repeated application for confidential designation, docketed September 5, 2025 (TN 265884). The applicant requests confidential designation for the following documents submitted in connection with its 2025 Energy Code Compliance (ECC) Provider Application:

- Exhibit H ECC Training Program (September 5, 2025)
- Exhibit A Amended Summary of Evidence (September 5, 2025)
- Exhibit C.1 QA Program Supplement (September 5, 2025)
- Exhibit C.2 QA Program Fees (September 5, 2025)
- Exhibit Gv2 Revised Administrative Documents (September 5, 2025)

The applicant asserts that these documents are substantially similar to materials previously designated as confidential under docket 22-HERS-01 and prior filings in docket 25-BSTD-01. The applicant further certifies under penalty of perjury that the information submitted is substantially similar to the records previously designated as confidential and that all facts and circumstances relevant to confidentiality remain unchanged.

California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505(a)(4) provides:
"If an applicant is seeking a confidential designation for information that is substantially similar to information that was previously deemed confidential by the Commission pursuant to Section 2508, or for which an application for confidential designation was granted by the executive director pursuant to subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this section, the new application need contain only a certification, executed under penalty of perjury, stating that the information submitted is substantially similar to the previously submitted information and that all the facts and circumstances relevant to confidentiality remain unchanged. An application meeting these criteria will be approved."

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CEC staff has reviewed the previously granted applications and confirmed that the information contained in the above-listed exhibits is substantially similar to records previously designated as confidential.

Executive Director's Determination

For the reasons stated, the applicant's confidentiality application is granted. The information subject to this confidentiality designation will be kept confidential for a period of six years, consistent with previous grants of confidentiality to HERS and ECC Providers.

Be advised that under California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2506, one may petition to inspect or copy records that the CEC has designated as confidential. A decision on a petition to inspect or copy confidential records is issued by the CEC's chief counsel. Under California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2507, the executive director may disclose records, or release records previously designated as confidential, in certain circumstances. The procedures for acting on a petition and criteria for disclosing or releasing records previously designated as confidential are set forth in the California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 2506–2508.

If you have questions, please email confidentialityapplication@energy.ca.gov