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MEMORANDUM

TO: Soda Mountain Solar Project, Docket 24-OPT-03
FROM: Staff
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I. Introduction

Public Resources Code section 25545.13 provides that a project filed with the California Energy Commission (CEC) under Public Resources Code section 25545.1 is deemed an environmental leadership development project and subject to expedited judicial review if, among other things, the CEC "prepares the record of proceedings concurrently with its review of the application and certifies the record of proceedings within five days of certification."

II. Record of Proceedings

California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1208, requires that all documents submitted in any proceeding, whether by a party, committee, the commission, or any other individual or entity, be filed with the docket. California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1880.5 further identifies the proceeding's docket as containing all the documents comprising the record of proceedings and meeting the requirements of Public Resources Code sections 21167.6(e) and 21186.

The attached documents are being added to the Record of Proceedings. In addition to these documents, the Staff Assessment includes a list of references at the end of each section that provides detailed citations and web links to documents staff relied on to develop the technical sections of the Staff Assessment. These linked documents are publicly available and part of the Record of Proceedings.

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