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> Joint Recommendation and Request of Southern Inyo Fire Protection District and Re: The Applicant Regarding Pending Request Pursuant to 20 C.C.R. §1715

Dear Commissioners Douglas and Peterman:

As you know, on May 17, 2012, Southern Inyo Fire Protection District ("SIFPD") filed its "Request for Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement; Southern Inyo Fire Protection District" (the "Request"). On May 29, 2012, the Applicant filed in its "Response to 'Request for Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement; Southern Inyo Fire Protection District' by William Ross, Pursuant to 20 C.C.R. §1715."

Both the Applicant and SIFPD made these filings to protect their respective rights in this proceeding; however, both parties are hopeful to address these issues via an agreement outside the strictures of the Commission's regulations, making the Requests pursuant to Section 1715 and Applicant's response moot.

With this common objective in mind, the Applicant and SIFPD hereby jointly recommend and request that the Committee not take any further action, tolling the applicable time frames on Commission review of the pending Request for reimbursement and the Applicant's Response. Specifically, the Applicant and SIFPD expect to be able to reach agreement on these issues no later than July 15, 2012, with the expectation that an agreement can be crafted in less time. If, however, the parties are unable to reach agreement by July 15, 2012, the parties will again jointly inform the Committee of the status of the discussion and either seek further extension of time or ask the Committee to act upon the Request and Response pending before the Commission. Accordingly, it is our understanding that tolling the time frames for action until July 15, 2012 would also relieve the Staff of its obligations under Section 1715.

Given that the parties intend to reach an agreement that would make the pending Request moot, we respectfully request that the Committee not take any further action, tolling the applicable time frames on the filing pending until July 15, 2012.

If you have questions on this procedural request, please feel free to contact Mr. Ross at (650) 843-8080 and Mr. Harris (916) 447-2166. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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I, Karen A. Mitchell, declare that on May 30, 2012, I served the attached *Joint Recommendation and Request of Southern Inyo Fire Protection District and the Applicant Regarding Pending Request Pursuant to 20 C.C.R. §1715* via electronic and U.S. mail to all parties on the attached service list.

I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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