State of California State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission

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In the Matter of:
Mariposa Energy Project

Date: Feb 23-2011 From: Rajesh Dighe Docket # 09-AFC-03

Motion: Rajesh Dighe Comments on Feb 16 Workshop –1) Effects of MEP Air Pollutants on Open Water and 2) PG&E Gas Pipeline Testing recommendation.

On Feb 16-2011, CEC Staff conducted a public workshop for interveners – 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The workshop was conducted with below heading:

Notice of Staff Workshop on Potential Resolution of Outstanding Issues Raised by the Interveners for the MEP 09-AFC-03

Location:

WEDNESDAY, February 16, 2011 Beginning at 10:00 AM until no later than 1:00 PM California Energy Commission Fourth Floor – Conference Room North A 1516 9th Street

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Since it was work day, Rajesh Dighe had to dial in and could not attend physically because of work constraints. Below important areas were touched by Intervener Rajesh Dighe.

1. PG&E Gas Pipeline: LINE 002

Listening to experts from PG&E around LINE 002, Intervener Rajesh Dighe clearly indicated to Staff and Applicant that there is no basis on CEC Staff and Applicant argument that pipeline is safe. Infact, recently there has been numerous gas pipeline explosions in US. This clearly suggests that codes to which the old pipeline were built and the inspection schedules and regulations needed attention.

Intervener, Rajesh Dighe supports Mr Robert Sarvey's work and analysis. Infact, CEC Staff and Applicant should have proactively done this study on LINE 002. Such a study could have been initiated by Applicant when Rajesh Dighe on Feb 2010 (1 year back) suggested gas pipe line explosions as big risk factor in his data requests.

Intervener, Rajesh Dighe recommends committee to initiate a thorough testing of LINE 002. CEC Staff and Applicant has again failed to do their part of critical due diligence of the PG&E pipeline which will be connected to by the proposed new MEP infrastructure.

Rajesh Dighe also felt CEC and Applicant would be "shooting in the dark" and highly recommends committee to allow appropriate agency to do the testing of the LINE 002. Without such a testing we will never know the the "current condition" of the pipe line and any "risk assessment" without looking at the "current condition" of the pipe line would be very naïve and would be putting workers and nearby residents in "pipeline explosion risk".

2. Effects of Air Pollutants & Particulate Matter on Open Water (Nearby Bethany Reservoir, Delta Water near Mountain House)

Interverner, Rajesh Dighe brought this concern right in the beginning of the workshop. CEC Staff pushed the discussion to the end to accommodate items in the agenda. Unfortunately since other topics took time to brainstorm, this topic went un-discussed.

Rajesh Dighe wants to bring out below interesting facts around this topic in front of the committee:

- a. Many Mountain House residents had brought out the high fog area issue around Mountain House Community and essentially MEP site.
- b. MEP air pollutants (nitrogen oxides), Ammonia could enter the aquatic ecosystem around MEP proposed site.
- c. Possibility of increased eutrophication because of MEP emissions on "Delta water" and "Bethany Reservoir" around Mountain House is a concern.
- d. Air around the proposed MEP site is already high in pollen and MEP GHG emissions would further make the problem worse.
- e. CEC and Applicant have overlooked this area in their assessment.

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Rajesh Dighe

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Rajesh Dighe

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