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VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Karen Douglas, Presiding Member The Honorable Janea Scott, Associate Member California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 California Energy Commission

DOCKETED 79-AFC-4C

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Re:

Bottle Rock Geothermal Project (Docket Nos. 79-AFC-4C and 12-CAI-04) Project Landowner's Response to Staff's Issues Identification Report

Dear Commissioners:

Pursuant to the Committee's May 16, 2013 Notice of Public Site Visit and Committee Conference, V.V. & J. Coleman, LLC ("Landowner"), the Project Landowner, responds to the Bottle Rock Geothermal Project Amendment (79-AFC-4C) Issues Identification Report dated May 24, 2013 (the "Issues Report") prepared by the Commission Staff ("Staff").

As noted in prior hearings on the related complaint, Landowner has a significant interest in ensuring the proper decommissioning of the property. In its Petition to Amend, Bottle Rock Power, LLC outlines a process for establishing financial assurances to meet its obligations on decommissioning (Petition to Amend, p. 8). As noted by Staff in the Issues Report, it is important to establish these financial assurance mechanisms in a timely manner (Issues Report, p. 5). The Project Owner has set forth proposed mechanisms that cannot be established until a final decision is reached on the Petition to Amend. Therefore, Landowner respectfully requests that the schedule for review of the Petition to Amend be accelerated.

Respectfully,

Mark E. Peterson, Esq.

cc: Robert Francisco, President/CEO, V.V. & J. Coleman, LLC



BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT AGAINST THE BOTTLE ROCK GEOTHERMAL POWER PLANT Docket No. 12-CAI-04 PROOF OF SERVICE (REVISED 3/4/2013)

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