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IFNASA

Indigenous First Nation Advocacy South Africa
THE PEOPLE LIBERATE THEMSELVES

9th October 2022
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Re.: Support of the Indian Energy Project

Dear Chairperson Hochschild,

I am writing from the sunny South Africa, the cradle of Humankind in support of the Indian Energy project with the Viejas.

Our organization, the **Indigenous First Nation Advocacy South Africa (IFNASA)** is a union of the Indigenous Tribes of South Africa who have come together to collectively address the need for a more equitable solution to the energy insecurity we face. For nearly a decade members of our Tribes have worked with Indian Energy and have collaborated and shared the hope that one day the time would come to put these great concepts into action. That time is finally upon us.

Our organization and over a hundred member organizations are excited for Indian Energy to press forward as a representative for all Indigenous (Aboriginal) Peoples around the world and through our current and ongoing collaboration we too may have such an opportunity one day soon. This gives us hope.

We stand ready to support, collaborate in, learn from, and eventually follow the lead of these great initiatives such as the Viejas Enterprise Microgrid.

IFNASA would like to express our sincere appreciation towards the Indian Energy for their visionary trajectory in assisting the international Indigenous People's Energy contributions. The impact and benefits of this project fall far beyond California, and we thank the People of California for giving the Indigenous People a voice and opportunity to take part and lead.

Once again take this as a strong letter of support and confidence in their effort.

Regards

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