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IN THE MATTER OF:

MORTON BAY GEOTHERMAL PROJECT
(MBGP) APPLICATION FOR
CERTIFICATION

Docket No. 23-AFC-01

CALIFORNIA UNIONS FOR RELIABLE ENERGY
STATUS REPORT NO. 10

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INTRODUCTION

California Unions for Reliable Energy (“CURE”) submits this status report in the Morton Bay Geothermal Project (“MBGP”) proceeding (Docket No. 23-AFC-01) pursuant to the Presiding Member’s Scheduling Order issued on September 15, 2023 (TN 252284).

DISCUSSION

I. Summary of the Progress of Discovery

CURE has no outstanding data requests.

II. Significant Communications with Tribal Governments and Federal, State, and Local Agencies

CURE is in discussion with various local, state, and federal agencies regarding its outstanding requests for public records related to the MBGP.

III. Factors That May Impact the Schedule

On June 27, 2024, CEC Staff published the MBGP PSA (TN 257470). The agency and public comment period for the PSA originally was to close on August 12, 2024 (TN 257479). However, the Presiding Member for the Committees issued a Joint Order Extending and Consolidating the Public Comment Periods on the PSAs on July 26, 2024 (“Joint Order”) (TN 258079). The extended comment deadline for the PSAs for each of the proposed geothermal projects is September 2, 2024 (*Ibid.*).

The Joint Order also mandates that the parties meet and confer regarding the proposed schedules for each proceeding (*Ibid.*). CURE is prepared to participate in the meet and confer and will file its proposed schedule no later than August 7, 2024, per the Joint Order.

On July 19, 2024, CEC Staff published notice of a PSA technical and mitigation workshop for the Morton Bay, Elmore North, and Black Rock geothermal projects (TN 257850). The workshop is intended to provide a forum for the parties “to identify and resolve areas of disagreement” and “modify or refine mitigation measures, as necessary,” with regards to the three PSAs for the geothermal projects (*Ibid.*). Counsel for CURE will attend the workshop on July 31, 2024, and if continued, on August 1, 2024.

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Respectfully submitted,

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