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INAPPLICABILITY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE LISTING

North Bay Interconnect, LLC and Corby Energy Storage, LLC (Applicant) provides the following clarification to the inform the California Energy Commission and the public record for the proceeding relating to the battery technology currently proposed for the Corby Battery Energy Storage System Project (Project). Pursuant to Section 1260H of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) the Department of Defense (DOD) is authorized to create and update a list of foreign companies that DOD and its defense contractors is prohibited from entering into, renewing or extending a contract for the procurement of goods, services or technology. On January 2, 2025, the DOD added CATL, the manufacturer of the battery technology proposed for use in the Project to the list.

In order to avoid confusion related to this listing and the Project, and to avoid potential delays in the CEC processing of the Project Opt-In Application, Applicant wishes to include the following in the record of the proceeding. Section 1260 H of the NDAA and the listing of CATL by the DOD only affects the ability of DOD or a defense contractor from contracting with a listed foreign company. The Applicant is not a defense contractor and therefore is not limited from procuring CATL battery technology for the Project.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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