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Repeated Applications for Confidential Designation

Dear Chase Maxwell:

The California Energy Commission (CEC) received Geysers Power Company, LLC's (applicant) repeated applications for confidential designation, dated February 12, 2025, for the following:

- Geysers Unit 3, Sonoma (TN 261736; 80-AFC-1C)
- Geysers Unit 17, Lakeview (TN 261733; 79-AFC-1C)
- Geysers Unit 18, Socrates (TN 261735; 79-AFC-3C)
- Geysers Unit 19, Calistoga (TN 261734; 81-AFC-1C)

The applications cover the corrective action tables associated with the fire protection system inspection and maintenance (ITM) reports covering the fourth quarter of 2024 in compliance with Conditions of Certification Fire Protection-4 and Fire Protection-5.

The applicant states that these records were previously determined by the CEC's executive director to be confidential for two years from the report date (TN 241373). The applicant asserts, under penalty of perjury, that the ITM reports, and corrective actions contain information that is substantially similar to previously submitted information that was granted confidential designation, and all facts and circumstances relevant to the confidentiality of the information remain unchanged.

California Code of Regulations title 20, section 2505(a)(4) provides:

If an applicant is seeking a confidential designation for information that is substantially similar to information that was previously deemed confidential by the Commission pursuant to section 2508, or for which an application for confidential designation was granted by the Executive Director pursuant to subdivision (a)(3)(A) of this section, the new application need contain only a certification, executed under penalty of perjury, stating that the information submitted is substantially similar to the previously submitted information and that all the facts and circumstances relevant to confidentiality remain unchanged. An application meeting these criteria will be approved.

The applicant has met the requirements for confidential designation of the ITM reports as a repeated application.

Executive Director's Determination

For the reasons stated above, the repeated applications for confidential designation are approved. Confidentiality is granted for two years from the date of the reports, under the same terms as those in the letter dated February 2, 2022 (TN 241373).

Be advised that under California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2506, one may petition to inspect or copy records that the CEC has designated as confidential. A decision on a petition to inspect or copy confidential records is issued by the CEC's chief counsel. Under California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2507, the executive director may disclose records, or release records previously designated as confidential, in certain circumstances. The procedures for acting on a petition and criteria for disclosing or releasing records previously designated as confidential are set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 2506-2508.

You may seek a confidential designation for information that is substantially similar to information for which an application for confidential designation was granted by the executive director by following the procedures in California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505(a)(4).

If you have questions, please email confidentialityapplication@energy.ca.gov.