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Repeated Application for Confidential Designation of Cultural Resources Information: Willow Rock Energy Storage Center Docket No. 21-AFC-02

Dear Samantha G. Neumyer:

The California Energy Commission (CEC) has received Willow Rock Energy Storage Center's (applicant) repeated application for confidential designation (TN 262220), docketed March 17, 2025, for the following:

Phase II Cultural Resources Testing and Evaluation Report

The applicant states that these records were previously determined confidential by the CEC's executive director on December 13, 2021 (TN 241005) and in (TN 257761, and 260663). The applicant asserts, under penalty of perjury, that the Phase II Cultural Resources Testing and Evaluation Report 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 above information as a repeated application. Confidentiality is granted indefinitely, under the same terms as those in the grant of confidentiality on December 13, 2021 (TN 241005).

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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.

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