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**RE: Palen Solar Electric Generating System-California Energy Commission/Tribal Consultation**

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On behalf of the Colorado River Indian Tribes, I would like to accept the California Energy Commission's invitation to consult about the proposed mitigation for the Palen Solar Energy Generating System ("PSEGS"). Given the lack of true government-to-government consultation on these issues in the past, however, we believe it would be useful to hold a preliminary meeting to discuss more generally what is an appropriate process for consultation, now and in the future. It is CRIT's position that true government-to-government consultation involves a meeting between the decisionmaking bodies of the two governments involved; here, that means a meeting between CRIT's Tribal Council and the Commission itself. To allow both parties to speak openly about the sensitive cultural resources at issue here, private meetings would work best.

Please let us know when the Commission or its representatives would be available for this type of preliminary meeting.

Sincerely,

**COLORADO RIVER INDIAN TRIBES**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dennis Patch".

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