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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION 1516 Ninth Street, MS-14 (Dockets Unit) Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Re: <u>Docket No. 09-AFC-7C (Palen Solar Power Project)</u>

Dear Commissioners:

The County of Riverside ("County") recently received the Commission's "Notice of Receipt of Request to Transfer Ownership for the Palen Solar Power Project" issued January 6, 2016, as well as the Commission's "Notice of Energy Commission Hearing on Petition for Ownership Transfer from Palen SEGS I, LLC, to Maverick Solar, LLC and Petitions for Extension of Deadline for Commencement of Construction for the Palen Solar Power Project, Possible Assignment of Committee and Further Orders" issued January 11, 2016. The County has actively participated in the siting process for the Palen Solar Power Project ("Project") and thanks the Commission for the opportunity to provide comments on the recent filings by Palen SEGS I, LLC since the Project will have lasting impacts on the County, County services and County residents if the Project is allowed to proceed.

The County has concerns about the last minute Request to Transfer Ownership filed with the Commission after 5 p.m. on December 15, 2015, the final day to start construction per the Conditions of Certification for the Project. However, it is difficult to address the Request to Transfer Ownership without considering it in context with the Commission's September 9, 2015 Order<sup>1</sup> and Palen SEGS I, LLC's Petition for Extension filed December 22, 2015. For that reason, the County intends to submit detailed comments on both the Request to Transfer Ownership and the Petition for Extension by February 3, 2016, as allowed in the Commission's January 11<sup>th</sup> notice.

Sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> TN206118 docketed September 16, 2015 certifying the action of the Commission on September 9, 2015.