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INTRODUCTION

Attached is Palmdale Energy, LLC's supplemental response to California Energy Commission Staff (Staff) Data Request 62 for the Palmdale Energy Project (PEP) Petition For Amendment. For context the text of the Data Request precedes the Data Response.

Data Request 62

Please describe the backup water supply to the fire suppression system when the dedicated 200,000 gallon on-site reserve is exhausted. If the back-up supply is the potable water main from the LA county Waterworks District #40 pipeline, please describe the engineering system that will be used to connect to this source and the cross-connection prevention methods to be used.

Response to Data Request 62

Potable water from the Los Angeles County Waterworks District #40 will be used as the backup source of fire water. The use of potable water requires backflow prevention measures to protect potable water sources from contamination. The potable water pipe supplying water to the Raw/Fire Water Storage Tank will be equipped with a Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Device that is UL listed, FM approved, and meets the requirements of NSF Standard 61 and AWWA C506-78(R83). In addition, the potable water will be fed into the top of the Raw/Fire Water Storage tank to provide an air gap separation between the point of potable water entry into the tank and the overflow piping for the tank. The fire protection system process flow diagram provided as Figure DR-62 depicts the location of the backflow prevention device and air gap.

