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Mr. Robert B. Weisenmiller, Chair
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS 33
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Dear Chair Weisenmiller,

Thank you for your letter dated April 19, 2016. California State University (CSU) has been tracking the Aliso Canyon situation and the joint agencies responses to ensure reliable gas and electric service in Southern California. In addition, California State University, Northridge is within 8 miles of the natural gas leak location and is tracking the Air Resources Board mitigation proceeding with an interest in greenhouse gas reduction research and campus clean energy projects.

CSU has a long-standing track record in energy management. CSU campuses participate in the UC/CSU/Utility Energy Efficiency Partnership which cumulatively has delivered 400,000 megawatt hours of energy savings, 50 megawatts (MW) of peak demand reductions and 21 million therms of gas savings. In 2016, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power joined the energy efficiency partnership which included two CSU campuses (Los Angeles and Northridge).

CSU appreciates the research and pilot project funding provided to date by the California Energy Commission (CEC) Energy Procurement Investment Charge program to advance low-carbon, reliable energy supplies and looks forward to continued successes with the CEC.

Specifically in response to the threat to reliable energy supplies, CSU has accelerated project timeframes for approximately 8 MW of solar capacity and 1.25 MW of behind the meter battery storage at Southern California campuses and are exploring additional projects that provide electric capacity independent of natural gas supplies. Campuses in the affected area participate in demand response programs that provide another 2 MW of flexible capacity to maintain reliable energy supplies.

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CSU encourages the joint oversight agencies to return natural gas storage to safe operations as soon as possible to ensure that extraordinary measures are not required to ensure reliable utility service.

Should you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at (562) 951-4090 or Aaron Klemm, Chief of Energy and Sustainability at (562) 951-4122, aklemm@calstate.edu.

Sincerely,



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