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Commissioners Robert Weisenmiller Janea Scott, Karen Douglas California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commissioners:

We write as legislators who have previously expressed our concern regarding the proposed Puente Power Plant, its inconsistency with California's renewable energy goals, and its disproportionate impact on residents of the City of Oxnard. We understand that the Commission is taking additional evidence regarding Puente's impact on coastal resources and the impacts of alternatives. We applaud the Commission's decision to look more closely at the project's impacts.

We remain concerned, however, that the Commission has not received an adequate analysis of clean energy alternatives to Puente, as mandated by state law. Because of the lack of analysis of preferred resources, the CAISO Board of Governor's during their May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting expressed interest in reviewing clean energy alternatives that could meet the local capacity requirements in the Moorpark subarea. Based on the discussion at that meeting, it is clear that CAISO believes such a study would be productive and helpful to the CEC's process. The CAISO Board made clear that approval of Puente without a thorough consideration of non-combustion alternatives would be inconsistent with the State's renewable energy goals.

Therefore, we request the Commission accept CAISO's offer to undertake a thorough preferred resources alternatives study before acting on the Puente project. We urge that CAISO revisit preferred resources, to provide sufficient evidence to the Committee and to the public that all alternatives to the Puente project were pursued.

Thank you for considering our request.

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