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STANTON ENERGY RELIABILITY CENTER, LLC'S RESPONSE TO INTERVENOR CLEAN COALITION'S WITHDRAWAL

INTRODUCTION

SERC, LLC has reviewed Intervenor Clean Coalition's withdrawal of its testimony and its intervenor status. SERC, LLC supports that demand response, solar + storage, and stand-alone storage projects should be part of California's future electricity mix. SERC's sponsors are currently proposing to develop a solar + storage project, have developed solar projects in the past, and have proposed to develop stand-alone battery storage projects.

We understand that Clean Coalition's primary objective was to educate the Commission Staff about these alternative technologies. While SERC does not believe that demand response, solar + storage, or battery storage alternative would meet SERC's unique project objectives, SERC, LLC supports Clean Coalition's recommendation that the Commission consider demand response, stand-alone storage, and solar + storage for future projects where those alternatives can achieve the project objectives and are feasible. Such alternatives should be discussed early on in the CEC process.

Based on the withdrawal, SERC, LLC does not believe the Committee needs to discuss Alternatives at the upcoming evidentiary hearing and would like to amend its PreHearing Conference Statement to reflect that there are no disputes that require adjudication in the SERC proceeding. To that extent, SERC, LLC requests the Committee relieve its witnesses from the obligation of attending the evidentiary hearing on August 2, 2018.

Dated: July 31, 2018

Respectfully Submitted,

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