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Energy Resources
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In the Matter of:

Application For Small Power Plant
Exemption for the **MISSION COLLEGE
BACKUP GENERATING FACILITY**

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**OPPIDAN'S REQUEST FOR
SCHEDULE MODIFICATION**

Oppidan Investment Company (Oppidan) the applicant for the Mission College Backup Generating Facility (MCBGF), hereby requests that the Committee reschedule the Evidentiary Hearing to begin immediately after the PreHearing Conference, which is currently scheduled for June 15, 2020. The basis for this request is that Staff and Oppidan are in complete agreement on all issues in the proceeding, there are no intervenors and there were no substantive comments that would require modification or analysis to the Staff's Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration.

As described in the Application for Small Power Plant Exemption (SPPE), the MCBGF and the Mission College Data Center was approved pursuant to an IS/MND on July 17, 2018. The modifications described in the SPPE Application are minor. They include:

- Construction of two, three-story data center buildings encompassing a total square footage of 490,000 instead of one 495,610 square foot, two-story data center building;
- Increasing the height of the data center buildings from 59 feet to 82 feet (70 feet and 87 feet with parapets);
- Replacing the refrigerant-based cooling system with an evaporative-cooling with air handlers based system that relies on roof-mounted up-blast fans to circulate

air over the computer servers. Additionally, this system will use recycled water. As a result of the new system, water use will be reduced by over 90 percent from the original approved project;

- Relocation of the SVP electrical distribution substation from the west side of the site to the northeast corner of the site;
- Relocation of the main access entrance to the site;
- Replacing the 120, 625-kW emergency generators with 43, 2.5 MW emergency generators and 2, 600 kW house power emergency generators; and
- Relocating the generators and associated electric equipment from one generator yard to two generator yards, each serving its respective data center building.

As the Commission is aware, demolition activities are currently underway and nearing completion. It is essential to proceed quickly to a Final Decision on the SPPE to ensure that the construction activities, and the employment it provides during this time of great economic need, can continue. Otherwise, the current construction workforce would need to demobilize from the site. Therefore, Oppidan requests:

- The Evidentiary Hearing currently scheduled for June 18, 2020 be rescheduled to begin immediately following the PreHearing Conference on June 15, 2020;
- The Committee receive evidence by declaration; and
- Since there will be no conflicting evidence, the Committee prepare its Proposed Decision in time for the Commission to consider granting the SPPE at its July 8, 2020 Business Meeting.

Dated: June 1, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,



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