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Microsoft Corporation, the applicant ("Applicant") for the Small Power Plant Exemption for the San José City Data Center Project, submits this status report in accordance with the *Committee Scheduling Order* docketed May 13, 2020 (TN: 232976) ("Order").

#### INTRODUCTION

The Applicant proposes to construct and operate the San José City Data Center ("SJC02") in San José, California. The SJC02 will consist of two, one-story data center buildings and related improvements. The maximum load of the servers, including the cooling and ancillary load of the buildings, is 99 megawatts ("MW"), meaning the SJC02 is subject to the California Energy Commission ("CEC" or "Commission") Small Power Plant Exemption ("SPPE") process. To ensure reliability in the unlikely event of loss of electric service from Pacific Gas & Electric Company ("PG&E"), the SJC will include 42 standby generators to provide electrical power during outages. These generators will be grouped in redundant set configurations to ensure uninterrupted power for the SJC02's maximum demand. These standby generators will not deliver electricity for general consumption, but instead will be restricted to providing backup power exclusively for SJC02 demand in the event of an emergency.

#### Status Regarding Responses to Data Request Sets 3, 4, and 5

In the Applicant's response to Data Request Sets 3 (TN: 232595), 4 (TN: 232418), and 5 (TN: 232916), docketed on May 26, 2020, the Applicant confirmed therein that it continues to work with PG&E to identify and obtain responses to Staff's data requests as well as the anticipated means and method of PG&E's requested reconductoring with respect to the Newark – North Receiving Station #1 115 kV transmission line. The Applicant has been actively engaged with PG&E to identify the areas potentially affected by the required reconductoring in order to finalize the environmental analysis and plans to file said analysis by September 30, 2020.

### Status Regarding Response to CURE's Motion to Compel

CURE filed a Motion for Leave to File Data Requests on May 28, 2020. On June 29, 2020, the Commission granted CURE's motion. The Applicant filed Objections to CURE's Request on July 20, 2020, and thereafter filed Substantive Responses to CURE's Request on July 29, 2020. On August 17, 2020, CURE filed a Petition to Compel Production of Information in Response to CURE's Data Request, Set One, as to Request #24 ("Petition"). Presiding Member Karen Douglas issued an Order on Friday, August 28, 2020, stating the Committee's decision not to hold a hearing on the Petition and inviting all parties to file any additional information relevant to the Committee's consideration of the Petition by Friday, September 4, 2020. The Applicant, thereafter, filed a Response to the Petition on September 4, 2020. A decision by the Committee on the Petition is due on September 16. (20 Cal. Code Regs., § 1716(g).)

#### Schedule

The Applicant expects to file the requested data responses by the end of September 2020.

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