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DWR Application for Confidentiality 21-IEPR-02 - Response

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Application for Confidential Designation for Data in Integrated Energy Policy Report, Docket 21-IEPR-02

Dear Ghassan ALQaser,

The California Energy Commission (CEC) received the confidentiality application submitted by the Department of Water Resources (DWR or applicant) on September 17, 2021, for specified data contained in the 2021 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR). Specifically, confidentiality is sought for:

Form S-1 –

Capacity / Energy Requirement Form.

Form S-2 –

Capacity / Energy Supply Resources.

Form S-5 –

Bilateral Contracts Table.

In accordance with the California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 2505(b), DWR seeks confidentiality as a federal, state, regional, or local agency or state-created private entity, which possesses information pertinent to the responsibilities of the CEC, that has been designated by DWR as confidential under the Public Records Act, or the Freedom of Information Act. Pursuant to this regulation, applicant may submit information designated by it as confidential under the Public Records Act without an application for confidential designation, and CEC will designate this information as confidential. The application, although not required, clearly demonstrates applicant's treatment of the specified data as confidential under the Public Records Act, and so the specified data are entitled to such designation by CEC. Therefore, the CEC designates the above-described data in Forms S1, S-2, and S-5 as confidential. The confidentiality application for the information contained in Forms S-1, S-2, and S-5 is granted through December 31, 2024, or until such time as it may be publicly released, whichever is earlier.

This grant of confidentiality is only applicable to the specific fields, highlighted in yellow, on the forms described above. Please file a public version of those forms to the docket. These public documents should be redacted only to the extent necessary to protect the data for which confidentiality has been granted.

Be advised that persons may petition to inspect or copy records that the CEC has designated as confidential, the executive director may disclose or release records previously designated as confidential in certain circumstances, and the CEC may hold a hearing to determine the confidentiality of its records on its own motion or on a motion by CEC staff. The procedures and criteria for disclosing or releasing, filing, reviewing, and acting upon such petitions or motions are set forth in the Title 20, California Code of Regulations, sections 2506-2508.

You may request confidentiality for similar data in a future annual report without submitting an application by following the procedures set forth in Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 2505(a)(4).

If you have any questions, please contact me at raj.dixit@energy.ca.gov or (916) 776-3055.

Sincerely,

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