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Memorandum

**To:** Commissioner Kourtney Vaccaro, Presiding Member  
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**Subject: STATUS REPORT #16 FOR THE LAFAYETTE BACKUP GENERATING FACILITY SMALL POWER PLANT EXEMPTION (20-SPPE-02)**

In its December 23, 2020, order directing parties to file Monthly Status Reports, the Committee ordered the parties to file and serve a Status Report on or before the 10th of each month.

Staff has commenced work on an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), which we expect to publish within 60 days of acknowledging in a status report that we have no further data requests.

The applicant docketed responses to Data Request Set 5 on March 29, 2022, and subsequently docketed a missing spreadsheet that was not included in the response on April 5, 2022. Staff is currently evaluating these responses for completeness.

Staff also acknowledges the April 5, 2022, docketing of drawings in response to data requests #91-92 from Data Request Set 1—these drawings were originally expected to be available for staff's review by August 17, 2020.

Staff continues to wait for responses to VMT related questions in Data Request Set 4 docketed on February 9, 2022, a thermal plume assessment responsive to data requests #64-67 in Data Request Set 1 which had been promised to be submitted under separate cover during the first week of September 2020, and some noise-related modeling information being developed by the applicant. Upon receipt of this material, staff will assess whether all its data requests have been adequately addressed. Depending on the outcome of that assessment, staff will either prepare additional follow-up data requests or alert the Committee of our intention to publish our Draft EIR within 60 days.