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STATEMENT OF STAFF APPROVAL CHANGE IN OPERATIONAL CONTROL BOTTLE ROCK GEOTHERMAL POWER PLANT (79-AFC-04C)

On February 14, 2023, Bottle Rock Power, LLC, the project owner, filed a post certification petition with the California Energy Commission (CEC) requesting to change operational control of the Bottle Rock Geothermal Power Plant (BRPP) to Mayacma Geothermal, LLC.

The BRPP is a 55-megawatt geothermal turbine generator facility that was certified by the CEC in November 1980. In November 1990, the operation of the facility was suspended by the Department of Water Resources (DWR), the initial project owner, due to insufficient steam production. On May 30, 2001, the CEC approved the transfer of ownership from DWR to Bottle Rock Power Corporation. In December 2006, the BRPP ownership was transferred to Bottle Rock Power, LLC. On December 13, 2006, the CEC approved the restart of the BRPP's operations.

According to the March 2015 Bottle Rock Power, LLC, notification to the CEC, the BRPP was placed in a permanent non-operational status as of April 1, 2015. The facility is located near the incorporated town of Cobb in Lake County.

A statement describing the change in operational control, signed under penalty of perjury by the Bottle Rock Power, LLC and Mayacma Geothermal, LLC, was submitted pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 20, section 1769(b). The statement affirms that Mayacma Geothermal, LLC, understands the conditions of certification in the Commission Decision, as amended, and agrees to comply with those conditions.

The petition requesting the change of operational control is available on the [CEC's project webpage](https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/steam-turbine/bottle-rock-geothermal-power-plant) <https://www.energy.ca.gov/powerplant/steam-turbine/bottle-rock-geothermal-power-plant>. In the box labeled "Compliance Proceeding" click on the Docket Log (79-AFC-04C) and locate the petition by its transaction number, [TN 248791](#).

Staff has reviewed the petition and has determined that the petition meets the requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 20, section 1769(b). Accordingly, staff hereby approves the petition to change operational control for the BRPP.

Any person may file an objection to the staff approval within 14 days of filing the Statement of Staff Approval. Any such objection must state the grounds for the objection. If a person files such an objection, the petition shall be considered by the CEC at a noticed business meeting or hearing.

Objections to staff's approval may be submitted using the CEC's e-Commenting feature, as follows: Go to the [CEC's project webpage](#) and click on either the "Comment on this Proceeding," or "[Submit e-Comment](#)" link. When your comments are filed, you will receive an email with a link to them.

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California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 79-AFC-04C
715 P Street
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