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October 30, 2023

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**DETERMINATION OF COMPLETE APPLICATION FOR THE FOUNTAIN WIND  
PROJECT (Docket No. 23-OPT-01)**

Dear Henry Woltag:

In compliance with California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1878(b), this letter is to notify you that the California Energy Commission (CEC) staff has completed its review of Fountain Wind LLC's most recent supplemental application filings and all prior project application submittals pursuant to Public Resources Code section 25545.4(a). **Based on this review, and in consideration of the totality of the record present in the project docket, the CEC staff has determined that the submitted application complies with Public Resources Code section 25545.2 and therefore is complete.**

The fact that an application is deemed complete does not mean the proposed project will be approved, will be found to meet all the requirements of Public Resources Code sections 25545–25545.13, or that the CEC staff's independent information gathering activities have ended.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 25545.4(e), the CEC shall determine whether to approve or deny the proposed project within 270 days of this letter or as soon as practicable. Pursuant to Sections 25545.6 and 25545.7, CEC staff will review the application, consider other independently derived information, prepare a staff assessment that includes an environmental impact report, and prepare a recommendation on whether to approve or deny the proposed project for consideration at a business meeting.

CEC staff will continue to conduct independent analysis through consultation with experts in relevant fields and other public agencies, and by consulting with California Native American Tribes. Staff will also consider information filed into the docket and presented at noticed public events to ensure a thorough analysis and supported conclusions.

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If you have any questions about this letter, please email Leonidas Payne, project manager, at: [leonidas.payne@energy.ca.gov](mailto:leonidas.payne@energy.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Drew Bohan', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Drew Bohan  
Executive Director

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