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California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

RE: Docket No. 07-OIR-1/Comments of the California Farm Bureau Federation Regarding Adoption of Regulations to Establish a Process to Designate Transmission Corridor Zones

Dear Commissioners:

The California Farm Bureau Federation ("Farm Bureau") has been actively engaged in the process for development of the Regulations to Establish a Process to Designate Transmission Corridor Zones. Farm Bureau has focused on how the regulations can best ensure fair treatment of affected landowners in the process.

Staff has been exceptionally cooperative in the efforts to address our concerns that have been raised as the Regulations were developed. The Regulations as currently presented for adoption reflect language that Farm Bureau has reviewed and can work with.

It is important to reflect at this point, however, ongoing concerns about transmission planning efforts, of which this is just one. That in fact is the concern, this process is one of a multitude of proceedings, which in many ways overlap and duplicate planning efforts at various levels. Several state agencies, or other entities, such as the California ISO, California Public Utilities Commission, the Energy Commission, WECC, have a piece of the planning landscape in addition to the federal agencies. It is important parties be able to track the impacts from the various efforts, but a challenge to do so. It should be the goal of each planning process to assess the impacts of other planning efforts and incorporate them as much as possible. Likewise the "Informative Digest" regarding the Regulations refers to Small Business Impacts, noting that "no small business would incur a detriment as a result of these regulations." Perhaps this is not the required analysis for the category, but it should be noted that these Regulations may in

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fact have a burden on small business owners who must assess the impact of the corridors on their properties.

The California Farm Bureau Federation appreciates the opportunities that have been provided to participate in this process and intends to continue its involvement as the corridor planning continues.

Respectfully Submitted

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