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Southern California Edison Company ("SCE") hereby gives notice pursuant to Rules 8.3(c) and 8.4(a) of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission" or "CPUC") of the following communication:

**DATE AND TIME OF COMMUNICATION:** May 1, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. PST

**LOCATION:** Western Electricity Coordinating Council ("WECC") Western Reliability Summit, Doubletree Hotel, Scottsdale, Arizona

**WHO INITIATED COMMUNICATION:** SCE

**NAMES AND TITLES OF NON-CPUC PERSONS PRESENT:** Colin Cushnie, SCE Vice President of Power Supply

**NAMES AND TITLES OF CPUC PERSONS PRESENT:** Commissioner Liane Randolph

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF COMMUNICATION:** Mr. Cushnie spoke on a panel entitled, "What Does the Future Utility Look Like?" moderated by Melanie Frye, President and CEO, WECC. Other panelists included Jeffrey Guldner, President, Arizona Public Service Company, and Gregory Guthridge, independent consultant. Mr. Cushnie provided background on California's clean energy goals and stated that California's carbon reduction efforts and focus on distributed resources will require thoughtful planning to be reliable and affordable. Mr. Cushnie highlighted the risk that load-serving entity ("LSE") fragmentation is having on California's

central planning process and its potential implications on reliability and clean energy outcomes. Mr. Cushnie explained that community choice aggregators (“CCAs”) and electric service providers have been largely resistant to CPUC oversight, and that various legislative proposals are being debated on increasing the CPUC’s planning and procurement enforcement oversight over CCAs and potentially establishing a state-sponsored central buyer to perform renewables and reliability procurement. Mr. Cushnie concluded by stating that California’s current Integrated Resource Planning process is finishing its first cycle and was largely focused on identifying the resources needed to achieve California’s 40% greenhouse gas reduction goal by 2030, but that less analysis was performed on the near-term transition that is needed to ensure California’s long-term success. Mr. Cushnie noted that he was concerned that California’s tightening resource supply mix will create operating challenges for the California Independent System Operator and the WECC if California does not proactively address how it oversees the close to 50 LSEs that are expected to be operating in the next couple of years.

**WRITTEN MATERIALS PROVIDED:** No

Respectfully submitted,  
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