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Mr. Stephen Berberich President and CEO California Independent System Operator P.O. Box 639014 Folsom, CA 95763-9014

Dear Mr. Berberich:

On behalf of the City of Lancaster, I am writing to follow up on our previous correspondence and urge the CAISO to include Phase 1 of the AV Clearview Transmission Project in the CAISO 2012-2103 Transmission Plan for consideration by your Board of Governors.

## Phase 1 of the AV Clearview Transmission Project:

- meets all the electrical requirements of the Abengoa Solar Large Generator Interconnect Agreement that necessitated the Coolwater-Lugo line;
- provides additional reliability and operational benefits that Coolwater-Lugo cannot;
- interconnects at least 1,000 MW more renewable generation than Coolwater-Lugo;
- can be in service two years earlier than Coolwater-Lugo;
- provides critical energy security to Edwards AFB, which Coolwater-Lugo cannot; and
- costs tens of millions of dollars less than Coolwater-Lugo.

In addition to these important benefits to the CAISO, the renewable generators, and the California ratepayers, Lancaster is particularly interested in the strong economic boost that AV Clearview will bring to the greater Antelope Valley. This economic activity is needed sooner rather than later.

With all the advantages the AV Clearview Project enjoys over Coolwater-Lugo, I respectfully request that CAISO staff offer the Board of Governors the option to include the AV Clearview Transmission Project in the 2012-2013 Transmission Plan as a viable, cost-effective option.

Sincerely,

R. Rex Parris

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cc: Members, CAISO Board of Governors
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