

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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February 4, 2020

Bryan Keith Switzer
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs
Golden State Water Company
630 East Foothill Boulevard
San Dimas, CA 91773-9016

Dear Mr. Switzer:

Under Chapter 79 of Statutes of 2019, Assembly Bill (AB) 1054 and corresponding Public Utilities (PU) Code §8389, the Executive Director of the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) is required to issue an Initial Safety Certification to electric corporations that meet specific documentation criteria. This letter represents the Executive Director's certification that Bear Valley Electric Service, a division of Golden State Water Company (BVES), has met all the relevant requirements of PU Code §8389 regarding its Initial Safety Certification.

BVES submitted the initial document and materials on December 18, 2019, and provided additional information requested by Wildfire Safety Division (Commission) staff on January 22, 2020. After review of the submittal and validation that the information submitted is factual, Commission staff finds that the requirements of the Commission's guidance and PU Code §8389 have been satisfied.

This Initial Safety Certification is valid for twelve months and has only the force and effect given to it by PU Code §§451.1(c) and 8389. Prior to the expiration of this twelve-month period, BVES shall submit a request for a Safety Certification for the following twelve-months to the Wildfire Safety Division as mandated by AB 1054 and any Wildfire Safety Division or Commission orders that may be established. In subsequent reviews of safety certifications, the Wildfire Safety Division and Commission will consider additional guidance regarding PU Code §8389.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alice Stebbins".

Alice Stebbins
Executive Director

cc: Caroline Thomas Jacobs, Director
Wildfire Safety Division