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I. Introduction

In accordance with Rule 6.2 of the California Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules"), the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Services (EDSO OES) submits comments to the Order Instituting Rulemaking 18-10-077 ("Rulemaking").

II. Comments

With regards to any Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plan, the following should be part of the implementation procedure:

1. Local Power Companies will establish identifiable decision points and thresholds that would lead to implementation of their respective Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plans. Factors to be considered should include:
    a. Sustained Winds Speeds and Wind Gusts
    b. Fuel Moisture Levels
    c. Relative Humidity Levels

d. Active Fire Incidents

2. Communication of any anticipated and/or actual implementation of a Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plan should begin with person to person contact with the Operational Area Office of Emergency Services Director or Emergency Manager (or designated representative) at the county and city level that serves the general public who live in areas that will primarily and personally affected by the implementation of the Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plan.

Local Power Companies and Local Emergency Managers will work in conjunction with each other to ensure proper public notification will happen at the earliest opportunity given the circumstances and to that end, Local Power Companies will provide GIS level shape files of potential power grids and zones that will be affected by any Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plan, thus giving local Emergency Managers the ability, if necessary, to utilize locally established emergency communications systems (Code Red, Everbridge, Nixel, EAS, WEA, etc) to make public notifications as rapidly, and as accurately as possible.

III. Conclusion

EDSO OES's participation in this proceeding will not prejudice any party and will not delay the schedule or broaden the scope of the issues in the proceeding. For the reasons stated above, EDSO OES respectfully requests that the CPUC grant this Motion for Party Status filing.

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Respectfully submitted,



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