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Re: Request for Immediate Access to Documents Referenced in the Draft Environmental Impact Report – JVR Energy Project (SCH No. 2019039044, Major Use Permit No. PDS2018-MUP-18-022)

Dear Mr. Wardlaw, Mr. Potter, and Mr. Koutoufidis:

We are writing on behalf of California Unions for Reliable Energy ("CURE") to request immediate access to any and all documents referenced, incorporated by reference, and relied upon in the Draft Environmental Impact Report ("DEIR") prepared for the JVR Energy Project (SCH No. 2019039044, Major Use Permit No. PDS2018-MUP-18-022) ("Project"), proposed by JVR Energy Park, LLC (a subsidiary of BayWa r.e. Development, LLC). This request excludes any documents that are currently available under the Project's name on the County of San Diego website, as of today's date.¹

¹ Accessed https://www.sandiegocounty.gov on October 8, 2020.

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The Project proposes to construct and operate a 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (180 megawatt-hr) on approximately 1,356 acres located within unincorporated southeastern San Diego County, within the Mountain Empire Subregion. The Project site is located adjacent to the community of Jacumba Hot Springs and the Jacumba Airport, and south of Interstate 8 (I-8).

Our request for immediate access to all documents referenced in the DEIR is made pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), which requires that all documents referenced, incorporated by reference, and relied upon in an environmental review document be made available to the public for the entire comment period.²

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I will be calling you to arrange for review/duplication/transmission of the documents. If you have any questions, please call me at (650) 589-1660.



² See Public Resources Code § 21092(b)(1) (stating that "all documents referenced in the draft environmental impact report" shall be made "available for review"); 14 Cal. Code Reg. § 15087(c)(5) (stating that all documents incorporated by reference in the EIR . . . shall be readily accessible to the public"); see also Vineyard Area Citizens for Responsible Growth, Inc. v. City of Rancho Cordova (2007) 40 Cal.4th 412, 442, as modified (Apr. 18, 2007) (EIR must transparently incorporate and describe the reference materials relied on in its analysis); Santiago County Water District v. County of Orange (1981) 118 Cal.App.3rd 818, 831 ("[W]hatever is required to be considered in an EIR must be in that formal report. . ."), internal citations omitted.

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Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

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