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Regulatory Operation Staff’s Response to BCP’s Motion for Stay

On November 30, 2012, the Bureau of Consumer Protection (“BCP”) filed a Motion for Stay in this docket. The BCP requested the Commission either stay the deadline for Sierra Pacific Power Company d/b/a NV Energy and Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy (“NVE”) to file compliance tariffs due December 4, 2012 pursuant to the Commission’s November 27, 2012 Order, or in the alternative the Commission stay the provision directing Staff to review those tariffs. The purpose of BCP’s Motion is stated to allow BCP time to file a Petition for Reconsideration or Rehearing of the Commission’s November 27, 2012, which Petition could be filed up until December 11, 2012.

On November 30, 2012, NVE filed a Response to BCP’s Motion. NVE does not object to a stay, in that it could engender a great deal of customer confusion if NVE commences implementation of a non-standard metering option (“NSMO”) program, only to have the Commission possibly modify the program pursuant to reconsideration or rehearing. NVE argues that the Presiding Officer should grant the stay to allow the full Commission an opportunity to timely consider any reconsideration or rehearing. Although Staff has not had an opportunity to fully analyze the relief BCP states it will be requesting in its anticipated reconsideration or rehearing, Staff does not object to a stay of the
implementation and review of the revised compliance tariffs as requested by BCP. Given the high
level of customer interest in this case, and the fact that the BCP represents the interests if the
residential ratepayer, Staff believes it is reasonable to delay implementation of the NSMO program as
BCP has requested in order to fully vet any reconsideration or rehearing.

Staff may still choose to file a more complete Response to the Motion by the regulatory
deadline of December 7, 2012, but Staff has no objections to the temporary stay requested by BCP.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 3rd day of December, 2012.

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