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8 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**

9 Joint Application of Sierra Pacific Power Company
10 d/b/a NV Energy and Nevada Power Company
11 d/b/a NV Energy for authority to establish and
12 implement three separate trial non-standard
13 metering option riders pursuant to the Order
14 issued in Docket No. 11-10007.

Docket No. 12-05003

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16 **REGULATORY OPERATION STAFF'S RESPONSE TO BCP'S MOTION FOR STAY**

17 On November 30, 2012, the Bureau of Consumer Protection ("BCP") filed a Motion for Stay
18 in this docket. The BCP requested the Commission either stay the deadline for Sierra Pacific Power
19 Company d/b/a NV Energy and Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy ("NVE") to file
20 compliance tariffs due December 4, 2012 pursuant to the Commission's November 27, 2012 Order,
21 or in the alternative the Commission stay the provision directing Staff to review those tariffs. The
22 purpose of BCP's Motion is stated to allow BCP time to file a Petition for Reconsideration or
23 Rehearing of the Commission's November 27, 2012, which Petition could be filed up until December
24 11, 2012.

25 On November 30, 2012, NVE filed a Response to BCP's Motion. NVE does not object to a
26 stay, in that it could engender a great deal of customer confusion if NVE commences implementation
27 of a non-standard metering option ("NSMO") program, only to have the Commission possibly
28 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

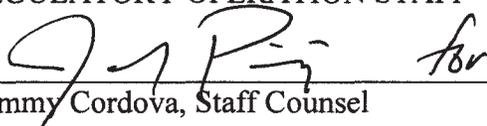
1 implementation and review of the revised compliance tariffs as requested by BCP. Given the high
2 level of customer interest in this case, and the fact that the BCP represents the interests if the
3 residential ratepayer, Staff believes it is reasonable to delay implementation of the NSMO program as
4 BCP has requested in order to fully vet any reconsideration or rehearing.

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

7 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 3rd day of December, 2012.

8 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA
9 REGULATORY OPERATION STAFF

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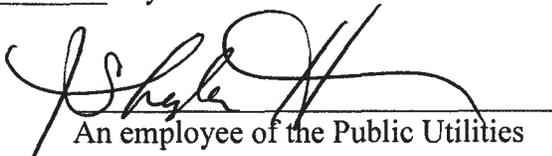
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