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To whom It may concern:

The Mojave Water Agency (MWA) is a State Water Contractor responsible for the water resources within its boundary and for delivering supplemental water to the area from the State Water Project. The MWA boundary encompasses approximately 4,900 square miles of the High Desert of San Bernardino County and as such is coincident with the proposed development focus area of the DRECP. Although sometimes limited by the State's annual allocation, in some instances, non-potable State Project water might be available for construction use throughout our area.

The Mojave Basin Area portion encompasses about 3,400 square miles within the MWA boundary. The MWA is the Court appointed Watermaster for the Mojave Basin Area and is responsible for administering a Judgment that allocates all of the water supply and water rights within the Adjudicated area. The Subareas of the Mojave Basin Area are in various stages of overdraft. It is critical that the DRECP quantify and assess the water requirements for both construction and maintenance of renewable energy projects. Consequently, it is important that entities evaluating projects that require water, either for construction or ongoing operations coordinate their development plans and water uses within the Mojave Basin Area with the Watermaster.

We are available to discuss the Judgment and its requirements in order that you may be properly informed about the Court Ordered water use restrictions within the adjudicated area.

Please feel free to contact me at (760) 946-7015 or leckhart@mojavewater.org.

Sincerely,

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