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REQUEST AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SOLICIT PROPOSALS, NEGOTIATE FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE, AWARD AND EXECUTE AGREEMENT FOR PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A NATURAL GAS PIPELINE EXTENDING FROM BRANNAN ISLAND, SACRAMENTO COUNTY TO SIX MILES WEST OF RIO VISTA, SOLANO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

PARTY:

California State Lands Commission
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BACKGROUND:

The proposed project involves the construction and operation of a 12-inch steel natural gas transmission pipeline which will connect Calpine's RVGU No. 162 gas well on Brannan Island, to existing and proposed pipelines which are located approximately 6 miles west of the city of Rio Vista in Solano County, for gas distribution to power plants and storage facilities. The proposed pipeline will cross under the Sacramento River (a distance of 4850') from agricultural land on Brannan island to agricultural land in the Montezuma Hills utilizing the Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) construction method. The remainder of the pipeline route will be trenched through existing roadways and agricultural areas. The total length of the pipeline is approximately 11 miles.

PROPOSED ACTIVITY:

The Commission will act as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act and prepare a Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for this project. A consultant will be selected to prepare the MND document under the direction of Commission staff.

Consultant selection will be conducted consistent with procedures as specified in CSLC Regulations and in the State Contracting Manual on the basis of

demonstrated competence and qualifications for the types of services to be performed and at a fair and reasonable price. All costs will be recovered from the project applicant.

STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

A. Public Resources Code Section 6106 (Delegation to execute written instruments)
B. State Contracts Manual Section 11.00 (A & E method)
C. Public Contract Code Section 6106
D. Government Code Section 4526
E. California Administrative Code Title 2 Article 13 Section 2980.0 - 2990.0

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THESE ACTIVITIES ARE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL CODE REGS. 15060(c)(3) BECAUSE THESE ACTIVITIES ARE NOT PROJECTS AS DEFINED BY PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21065 AND 14 CAL CODE REGS. 15378.

2. FIND THAT THE SELECTION OF CONSULTANT UNDER THIS PROCESS DOES NOT AFFECT SMALL BUSINESSES AS DEFINED IN GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 11342, SUB. (H), BECAUSE THEY WILL BE ACCORDED EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS AND PERFORMANCE DATA.

3. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SOLICIT PROPOSALS, NEGOTIATE FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE, AWARD AND EXECUTE CONTRACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

4. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PROJECT APPLICANT TO RECOVER ALL STATE COSTS INCURRED IN THE CONSIDERATION OF THIS PROJECT.