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REVISION OF RENT

LESSEE:

California Gas Gathering, Inc.

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

3,321.02 square feet, more or less, of sovereign land in the San Joaquin River, near Dos Palos, Fresno and Madera Counties.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Operation and maintenance of an existing 8-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline.

LEASE TERM:

20 years, beginning May 3, 2013.

CONSIDERATION:

This lease provides that the Commission may modify the rent periodically during the lease term. Pursuant to this provision, staff conducted a review of the rent under this lease and recommends that rent be revised from \$140 per year to \$450 per year, effective May 3, 2018.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- On April 28, 1993, the Commission authorized a 20-year General Lease Right-of-Way Use, to Shell Oil Company of California for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an 8-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline (<u>Item 09, April 28, 1993</u>), beginning May 3, 1993, and ending May 2, 2013.
- 2. On May 9, 1996, the Commission authorized the assignment of the lease to Torch Operating Company (<u>Item 24, May 9, 1996</u>), effective June 1, 1996.
- 3. On February 8, 2000, the Commission authorized the assignment of the lease to California Gas Gathering, Inc., and amended the lease to address operation and inspection of the pipeline (<u>Item 33, February 8, 2000</u>), effective March 22, 1999. That lease expired on May 2, 2013.

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- 4. On December 2, 2013, the Commission authorized a 20-year General Lease Right-of-Way Use, to California Gas Gathering, Inc, for the continued Use and Maintenance of an existing 8-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline (<u>Item 68, December 2, 2013</u>), beginning May 3, 2013.
- 5. The pipeline has not undergone any modification, repair, replacement, or experienced any incidents. Based on the most recent inspection report the pipeline is in good condition.
- 6. This action is consistent with Strategy 2.2 of the Commission's Strategic Plan to ensure timely receipt of revenues and royalties from the use and development of State lands and minerals.
- 7. Approving the revision of rent is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act because it is an administrative action that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21065 and California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15378, subdivision (b)(5).

EXHIBIT:

A. Site Location Map

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Commission:

AUTHORIZATION:

Approve the revision of rent for Lease No. PRC 7681.1 from \$140 per year to \$450 per year, effective May 3, 2018.

