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Jeff Young
 Aera Energy, LLC
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RE: WELL STIMULATION TREATMENT DENIALS

Dear Mr. Young:

The California Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) has received and reviewed Aera's Well Stimulation Treatment (WST) permit applications for the eight (8) wells listed below:

Group 12 (8 wells, North Belridge)

Count	API	Well Name
1	03067004	531L3-1
2	03067005	521D4-1
3	03067006	531A2-1
4	03067010	932A1-1
5	03067017	532E2-1
6	03067018	922H1-1
7	03067149	931R2-1
8	03067150	931L1-1

This correspondence serves as notice that Aera's WST permit requests for these eight wells are **denied**.

I have reviewed the applications and evaluated the quantifiable risk of the proposed well stimulation treatments. In the exercise of my discretion under Public Resources Code § 3160(d)(3)(C), I am denying these permit requests "to prevent, as far as possible, damage to life, health, property, and natural

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resources" (*id.* § 3106(a)) and to "protect[] public health and safety and environmental quality, including [the] reduction and mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions associated with the development of hydrocarbon . . . resources" (*id.* § 3011(a)).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Courtney Smith at Courtney.Smith@conservation.ca.gov.

Thank you,



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State Oil and Gas Supervisor

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