

February 14, 2024

Honorable Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

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## Filing of Initial Study Report for the Mokelumne Pumped Storage Project (P-14796)

## Dear Secretary Bose:

In accordance with 18 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §5.15(c)(1), GreenGenStorage, LLC (GreenGen) hereby submits a public version of its Initial Study Report (ISR) for the Mokelumne Pumped Storage Project (P-14796; Project). GreenGen is seeking an original license for the proposed Project and has elected to use the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC or Commission) Integrated Licensing Process (ILP) as described in 18 CFR Part 5. The Project would be located in parts of Amador and Calaveras Counties, in the State of California. This ISR presents the substantial progress that GreenGen has made on the implementation of its study program following the Commission's issuance of the Project's Study Plan Determination (SPD) on February 13, 2023.

During the study planning process, GreenGen developed a robust study program in consultation with Project stakeholders, consisting of 21 studies across 6 resource areas: Tribal and Cultural, water, biological, geology and soil, recreation, and socioeconomic resources. During Year 1 of the study program, GreenGen has worked diligently to implement every study within the program and has completed a subset of the studies. Additionally, GreenGen has held a total of five Technical Working Group (TWG) meetings and has plans to host three more in the first half of 2024. GreenGen has provided updates and information to Project stakeholders on a consistent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per guidance from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Tribal Resource Study Report (TRI-1) and Cultural Resource Study Report (CUL-1) contain Controlled Unclassified/Privileged Information and have therefore been omitted from general distribution in the Initial Study Report (ISR). The information has been filed with FERC with a Privileged designation (CUI//PRIV) under separate cover as part of ISR submittal. Procedures for obtaining access to Privileged information may be found at 18 CFR § 388.112.

basis during the past year. GreenGen has regularly consulted with natural resource management agencies during the study program regarding existing datasets, site access and safety information, and coordination related to field data collection efforts. GreenGen has sent quarterly update emails to the Project stakeholder list during 2023, describing current Project study activities, listing meeting dates, and reminding stakeholders of GreenGen's ILP schedule. GreenGen plans to complete its study program in 2024, and will provide additional study results in its Updated Study Report (USR) no later than February 17, 2025.

In accordance with 18 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §5.15(c)(2), GreenGen has scheduled an ISR meeting for February 28, 2024. The purpose of the ISR meeting will be to discuss study progress and results to date. ISR meeting details are as follows:

Initial Study Report Meeting - Mokelumne Pumped Storage Project, FERC No. 14796:

Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 10:00am to 1:00pm Pacific Time

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If you have questions or require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me at (209-217-1425) or nicholas@greengenstorage.com.

Sincerely,

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