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DATA REQUEST RESPONSE

LIBERTY UTILITIES (CALPECO ELECTRIC) LLC Use of Fire Retardants

Data Request No.: CalAdvocates-LibertyUtilities-FireRetardants-01

Subject Matter: 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plans

Originator: Talal Harahsheh
Due Date: May 5, 2021

REQUEST NO. 1:

Do you currently use, or plan to use in 2021, fire retardant sprays for wildfire mitigation purposes?

- a. If so, please describe whether and how you apply these products to vegetation.
- b. If so, please describe whether and how you apply these products to distribution infrastructure.
- c. If so, please describe whether and how you apply these products to transmission infrastructure.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST NO. 1:

Liberty does not use fire-retardant sprays and does not plan to in 2021.

REQUEST NO. 2:

Please describe your protocols for:

- a. The administration of fire-retardant sprays to vegetation.
- b. The administration of fire-retardant sprays to distribution infrastructure.
- c. The administration of fire-retardant sprays to transmission infrastructure.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST NO. 2:

Liberty does not use fire-retardant sprays and does not have protocols for administering fire-retardant sprays.

REQUEST NO. 3:

Please describe your protocol for choosing what type of fire-retardant spray is used on vegetation. For example, does certain type of vegetation require different fire retardation strategies than others?

RESPONSE TO REQUEST NO. 3:

Liberty does not use fire-retardant sprays and does not have protocols for choosing types of fire retardant sprays.

REQUEST NO. 4:

Dating back to 2018, please list all types of fire retardants you have used.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST NO. 4:

Liberty has not used fire retardants.

REQUEST NO. 5:

Do you currently use, or plan to use in 2021, herbicides or growth retardants on vegetation for wildfire mitigation purposes?

- a. If so, please describe how you use these products.
- b. If so, please list each such product you are using or expect to use in 2021.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST NO. 5:

Liberty does not use or plan to use herbicides or growth retardants on vegetation for wildfire mitigation purposes.

REQUEST NO. 6:

Have you conducted any studies on the environmental impacts of using fire retardants, herbicides, or growth retardants?

- a. If so, please list the title and date of each such study.
- b. If so, please provide a copy of each such study.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST NO. 6:

No.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at:

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