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Comment for. . . .

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**Section 7.4.6.1 Other Desalination Proposals at Moss Landing, Page 7-12** The DEIR says . . . *“This desalination proposal has not been carried forward as an alternative to the MPWSP because the CPUC has no jurisdiction, the applicant has not yet engaged in any formal environmental review processes, project effects cannot be reasonably ascertained and the timing of its implementation remains uncertain.”*

Question: Shouldn't the PUC look at all possible alternatives? Isn't that within the PUC's purview? If not, why not. Aren't most of California's water companies "outside" and yet the PUC takes a gander at them. Please explain.

**Section 7.4.6.2 The Peoples' Moss Landing Water Desalination Project, Page 7-13** The DEIR says. . . *“The preferred intake site is an abandoned intake pump structure on the shore of Monterey Bay near an old pier and Moss Landing Marine Laboratories.”*

Question: Is this a typo? The intake pump is definitely working! It is being used by MBARI, Phil's Fish Market and others. Please find out why this incorrect information was placed in the DEIR. Was it purposely included? If so, someone didn't do their homework.

**Section 7.4.6.2 The Peoples' Moss Landing Water Desalination Project, Page 7-14** *“The DEIR says, “This desalination proposal has not been carried forward as an alternative to the MPWSP because the CPUC has no jurisdiction, the applicant has not yet engaged in any formal environmental review processes, project effects cannot be reasonably ascertained and the timing of its implementation remains uncertain. This EIR does evaluate the proposed intake, desalination plant site and outfall as potential component options for the*

*MPWSP.”*

Question: Doesn't the CPUC have jurisdiction? The CPUC's past actions seem to prove so. Kindly explain.

**Section 4 Environmental Setting, Impacts and Mitigation Measures, Multiple Pages** The DEIR mentions the Geoscience Support Services, a corporation in which Mr. Dennis E. Williams is the president. Mr. Williams is the patent holder of (US8056629B2). This is a patent for slant wells the exact wells CalAm is using.

Question: Could the fact that Mr. Williams owns the patent for slant wells bias his findings? Is Mr. Williams involvement a conflict of interest? Is it possible that Mr. Williams could skew the data to show that CalAm's slant well is doing fine and therefore so is his patented equipment? Why is it that Mr. Williams economic relationship to this slant well has not been made public? Isn't this something that should be disclosed?

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