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SUBJECT: Independent Evaluator Enlistment Announcement

To Whom It May Concern:

In accordance with Public Utilities Code (PU Code) 8386.3(c)(2)(A), by March 1, 2022 the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety), in consultation with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's (CAL FIRE) Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM), shall make available a list of qualified independent evaluators (IE) with experience in assessing the safe operation of electrical infrastructure. This correspondence is to announce the enlisted IEs that are approved to perform the work as stipulated in PU Code 8386.3(c)(5)(C) and as outlined in the scope of work in the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 21-89482. Energy Safety notes that due to the limited number of applications received in response to the initial RFQ posting, the RFQ has been reposted and the list of qualified IEs will be supplemented if additional applicants are approved.

Each electrical corporation shall engage an IE listed to review and assess the electrical corporation's compliance with its' wildfire mitigation plan (WMP). The engaged IE shall consult with, and operate under the direction of, Energy Safety. Costs incurred for hiring listed IEs shall be the sole responsibility of the electrical corporation and not Energy Safety or CAL FIRE.

## **Independent Evaluator Eligibility Status**

Below is the list of enlisted IEs and their respective eligibility status. Each IE team has been assessed and approved based on the criteria found within RFQ 21-89482.

Eligibility Status – Approved	
<b>Primary:</b> 4LEAF, Inc.	Team Members: AerialZeus, LLC // MM & Company, LLP // and JH Land Consultants, LLC

Eligibility Status – Approved	
<b>Primary:</b>	Team Members:
Bureau Veritas North America, Inc.	C2 Group // Insignia Environmental

Eligibility Status – Approved	
<b>Primary:</b>	Team Members:
NV5, Inc.	Guidehouse, Inc.

## **Annual Verification**

IE's appointment to the IE list will be reevaluated on an annual basis. At such time, IEs may be required to complete renewal paperwork and/or provide additional documentation proving IE's eligibility for enlistment.

For questions regarding the information contained within this letter, please submit inquiries to <u>Compliance@EnergySafety.ca.gov</u>.

Respectfully,

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