## **BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD OF THE**

## SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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In the Matter of

**VERIZON WIRELESS,** 

Petitioner.

Case No. 6139-9 Facility ID 123867 DECLARATION OF ZACH FEINGOLD

I, ZACH FEINGOLD, state:

 I am a Verizon Wireless Regional Environmental Manager at Chino Hills, California.

2. This declaration is submitted pursuant to South Coast Air Quality Management District ("District") Hearing Board Rule 4.

3. Verizon Wireless provides cellular communications services to its customers. Pursuant thereto, Verizon Wireless operates and maintains an extensive network of wireless facilities across the United States of America, including the facility located at Cleveland National Forest, Rancho Santa Margarita, California 92688, Facility ID 123867 (the "facility").

4. Primary power to the facility is provided by Southern California Edison. In case of emergency, the facility must run on backup power, which includes the use of an internal combustion engine ("ICE") operated pursuant to Permit to Operate No. G72829. 5. Condition No. 7 of Permit to Operate No. G72829 limits operations of emergency generator to 200 hours annually during the permit year, which includes no more than 50 hours in any one year for maintenance and testing purposes.

6. There is regular maintenance and testing performed on the emergency backup generator. Periodic inspections are performed by technicians assigned to the facility.

7. Non-compliance is beyond the reasonable control of Petitioner because the Airport Fire, which started on 9/9/2024, caused a commercial power failure to the area. Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency for the Airport Fire on 9/9/2024. The facility's emergency generator ran from 9/9/2024 to 9/19/2024 and has exceeded the 200 hours annual operating limit due to the ongoing commercial power failure in the area. Commercial power was restored on 9/19/2024. As of October 9, 2024, the emergency generator has run 267.2 hours for the year.

8. Hourly rates for NOx, CO, and VOC are 0.42 lb, 0.56 lb, and 0.42 lb, respectively. Excess emissions are estimated to be up to 100 hours over the 200 hours permit limit, which equates to 42 lb of NOx, 56 lb of CO and 42 lb of VOC.

9. Operation under the order is not expected to result in a violation of Health and Safety (H&S) Code Section 41700 (nuisance).

10. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Zach Feingold BY:

Zach Feingold, Regional Environmental Manager DATED: 10/10/2024