Glen E. Stephens, P.E. Air Pollution Control Officer

January 11, 2024

Board of Directors Eastern Kern APCD 2700 "M" Street, Suite 302 Bakersfield, California 93301

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment No. 2 – 01-005-2024a to Agreement No. 01-001-2018 with

American Ecotech, LLC.

## Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) has worked with American Ecotech, LLC. (Ecotech) for the past 6-years. Ecotech has deployed air monitoring equipment near solar facilities in the District's jurisdiction. Based on the equipment they deployed, Ecotech is the most qualified to provide information from deployed monitoring equipment. This information assists the District in determining the effectiveness of dust mitigation measures utilized by several solar power generating facilities.

The District and Ecotech desire a continued engagement to extend the current agreement for 48-months. Ecotech is currently providing access to the Web Access Portal at a rate of \$10,000 per network per year per area (there are 3-areas), for a total of \$30,000-per year. The contract (for the 48-month period) is worth \$120,000. Based on the number of monitors deployed, and the expertise required to operate the system, the cost is reasonable.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED** your Board approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment No. 2 01-005-2024a to Agreement No. 01-001-2018 with American Ecotech, LLC.

Sincerely,

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