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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Secretary 400 North Street, Keystone Building Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: <u>Verde Energy USA, Inc – Docket No. A-2010-2151038</u> Change in Corporate Officer Notification

Per Title 52 Pa. Code Chapters 1 and 5, Verde Energy USA, Inc. ("Verde"), submits the following update:

On November 4, 2021, Miguel "Mike" Barajas was appointed Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Barajas will be overseeing the Company's accounting, tax, SEC reporting, treasury, financial planning and analysis, and investor relations functions. He is also the Chief Risk Officer. Mr. Barajas is replacing Mr. James G. Jones II who was serving as the Chief Financial Officer and has left Spark to pursue other opportunities.

Mr. Barajas served as Vice President of Finance and Investor Relations of Spark previously to this appointment. Mr. Barajas' experience includes working for several energy companies including Spark Energy from 2009 to 2014, Marlin Midstream, Xcalibur Logistics, and National Gas & Electric with leadership experience in accounting, finance, mergers & acquisitions, and treasury. Mr. Barajas holds a Master of Science in Accounting and a Bachelor of Business Administration from the C.T. Bauer College of Business at The University of Houston. Mr. Barajas is a Certified Public Accountant in the state of Texas.

On November 4, 2021, it was also announced that Paul Konikowski was appointed as Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Konikowski previously served as Senior Vice President of National Gas and Electric ("NG&E"), an affiliated company, which is owned and controlled by the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors, a position he held since April 2015. Prior to NG&E, Mr. Konikowski served as Chief Operating Officer of Glacial Energy. Prior to Glacial Energy, Mr. Konikowski served as Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer of Spark Energy, Inc. Mr. Konikowski also held positions in IT and customer operations at MXenergy and Shell Energy Services. Mr. Konikowski has been with Via Renewables Inc/Spark's family of companies for over 10 years and is a highly experienced, successful and well-regarded business leader in our industry.

Should you have any questions or need any further information, please contact me directly at <u>regulatorymatters@sparkenergy.com</u> or <u>207-890-4094</u>.

Respectfully,

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