## Q. How did PSE determine that the Final Structure would be more optimal than the Proposed Structure?

A. PSE asked Barclays to produce an indicative price for a Four-year Winter PPA based on a structure similar to the Final Structure. PSE evaluated this price with PSM and found that such structure evaluated slightly better than the Proposed Structure. The Final Structure projected to have a more attractive levelized cost and benefit ratio. It should be noted, however, that the Proposed Structure had a larger portfolio benefit because of its larger average capacity. The following table presents the price and PSM quantitative measures of the Final Structure.

	Final Structure
Price	\$/////////////////////////////////////
Levelized Cost	\$MWh
Portfolio Benefit	\$26.9 million
Benefit Ratio	0.57

- Q. How did the counterparties secure final pricing for the Barclays Four-year Winter Only PPA.
- A. To confirm that PSE could secure a competitive price for the Barclays Four-year Winter Only PPA, PSE held a live pricing solicitation on October 9, 20092008 for prequalified counterparties and received active prices from three counterparties including Barclays. PSE analyzed each of the three bids with PSM. Again, the Barclays Four-year Winter Only PPA projected to have the lowest and most

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