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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE ENERGY RESOURCES
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the matter of:)	Docket No. 01-AFC-19C
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COSUMNES POWER PLANT)	SFA'S PETITION FOR POST
)	CERTIFICATION CHANGE IN
)	OWNERSHIP FOR THE COSUMNES
)	POWER PLANT
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The Sacramento Municipal Utility District Financing Authority (SFA) hereby submits this Petition for Post Certification Change in Ownership ("Petition") for the Cosumnes Power Plant ("Project") pursuant to Section 1769(b), Title 20, California Code of Regulations, to be considered by the California Energy Commission (CEC). By this Petition, SFA requests approval to transfer ownership of the Project's generating facility to the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD), a local publicly owned electric utility duly organized under California law. SMUD will manage and maintain the Project's generating facility in a manner consistent with its operation of the Campbell Power Plant, Carson Power Plant, and Procter and Gamble Power Plant. SMUD personnel staff and manage the Project and contract with a professional operator to oversee its operation and maintenance. Additionally, SMUD owns and operates the Project's real property and electric transmission lines, water pipeline, and gas pipeline system.

INTRODUCTION

On September 9, 2003, the CEC issued a license to SMUD for the construction and operation of the Project. The Project is a nominal 603 megawatt ("MW") combined-cycle, natural gas-fired facility consisting of two combustion turbines, one condensing steam turbine, and two heat recovery steam generators. The transmission line consists of 0.4 miles of new 230-kilovolt line from the on-site switchyard to the existing switchyard at Rancho Seco. The natural gas line is supplied by 26-miles of a SMUD-owned gas line. The line is located between the Project site and the Carson Power Plant, in Sacramento County. A 0.4-mile connection to the existing 66-inch diameter water line conveys water from the Folsom-South Canal.

PROPOSED OWNERSHIP CHANGE

In 1992, SMUD partnered with the Modesto Irrigation District (MID) to form a public agency under the Joint Powers Act,¹ known as the "Sacramento Municipal Utility District Financing Authority" (SFA). Around the same period, SMUD also partnered with other public entities to form the Central Valley Financing Authority, Sacramento Power Authority, and Sacramento Cogeneration Authority. SMUD worked with these three joint powers authorities to finance, build, and operate three cogeneration plants in the City of Sacramento. In 2005, SMUD transferred ownership of the Project's assets to SFA.

SFA now plans to transfer ownership of the Project's assets back to SMUD, including the generating facility and associated fixtures, facilities, and certain personal property, but excluding the real property and the electric transmission line, water pipeline and gas pipeline system, all of which are currently owned by SMUD. This action will provide SMUD with significant business advantages that inure to the benefit of SMUD's community owners, including, among other things, the ability to realize operational efficiencies. The SFA governing commission and management have historically exercised effective control over all aspects of the Project, with SMUD benefiting as the purchaser of power from the Project. SMUD's benefits will continue as it brings the Project in house and manages all aspects of the Project.

The ownership change means that the Project's operation and maintenance will be conducted similarly to that of the CEC-licensed Campbell Power Plant, with EthosEnergy Power Plant Services, LLC, continuing to provide operational and maintenance services. SMUD remains responsible for procuring water, electric transmission, and natural gas for the Project. SMUD also retains title to the underlying real property, the 30-acre parcel.

¹ Cal. Gov't Code §§ 6500, et seq.

AUTHORITY AND VERIFICATION

SMUD understands the conditions of certification and agrees to comply with those conditions. As an officer of SMUD, I hereby attest, under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the contents of this Petition are truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

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