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SUMMARY OF POST CERTIFICATION PETITION PETITION FOR POST CERTIFICATION CHANGE HUNTINGTON BEACH ENERGY PROJECT (12-AFC-02C)

On September 4, 2026, the AES Huntington Beach Energy, LLC filed a Post-Certification Petition for Changes in Project Design, Operation or Performance and Amendments to the Commission Decision (Petition) ([TN#272356](#)) with the California Energy Commission (CEC) for the Huntington Beach Energy Project (HBEP) pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1769.

The HBEP, a 640-megawatt (MW) combined-cycle, natural gas facility was certified by the CEC in May 2017 and began commercial operation in June 2020. The facility is located at 21730 Newland Street, Huntington Beach, in Orange County.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES

The project owner seeks approval to install four identical 744 brake-horsepower diesel-fired internal combustion engine (ICE) generators to provide emergency power supply to critical plant equipment in the combined cycle gas turbine power block during the gas turbine shutdown periods in the event of an electrical emergency. The engines of these ICE generators are U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Tier-4 Final certified.

Project activities include the following, all of which will occur within the Huntington Beach Energy Project (HBEP) property:

- Installation of four identical 744-bhp emergency diesel-fired ICE generators in the existing combined cycle gas turbine power block,
- Electrical connection of ICE generators, and
- Earth-moving/excavations for the foundation installation.

For additional information, please visit the [CEC's project webpage](#). Accessible on the webpage is a link to the petition labeled "Compliance Proceeding"; select the "[Docket Log \(12-AFC-02C\)](#)" option to view.

REVIEW PROCESS

This petition is reviewed pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 20, section 1769. The review process includes an evaluation of the effect the change could have on the environment; the project's compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, or standards; and whether a change to, or deletion of any condition of certification adopted by the CEC in the final decision or subsequent amendments is required.

After staff completes an independent review and analysis of this petition, the assessment will be published for public review and comment. Included in the staff analysis will be written notice of staff's intent to either process the proposed changes as a staff-approved project change or schedule it for consideration by the CEC at a regularly scheduled business meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

This summary of the post certification petition is being mailed to the following persons on the CEC's mailing list for the project: interested agencies, members of the public, property owners who requested placement on the mailing list, and property owners within 500 feet of linear features (for example, pipeline) and within 1,000 feet of the facility. The notice is also being sent electronically using the HBEP electronic subscription service. The electronic subscription service is an automated CEC system by which information about this facility is emailed to parties who have subscribed. To subscribe, go to the [CEC's project webpage](#), cited above, scroll down the right side of the project webpage to the box labeled "Subscribe," and provide the requested contact information.

Any person may comment on the petition or the staff analysis when publicly available. The CEC encourages use of its electronic commenting system. To use the CEC's electronic commenting feature, go to the [CEC's project webpage](#), cited above, click on the "[Submit e-Comment](#)" link, and follow the instructions in the online form. Be sure to include the facility name in your comments.

Written comments, attachments, and associated contact information (for example, address, phone number, email address) become part of the viewable public record. This information may also become available via any internet search engine.

Written comments may also be mailed to:

California Energy Commission
Docket Unit, MS-4
Docket No. 12-AFC-02C
715 P Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

If you have questions about this notice, please contact Compliance Project Manager Joseph Douglas, Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Unit, Safety and Reliability Branch, at (916) 956-9527 or via e-mail at Joseph.Douglas@energy.ca.gov.

For information on public participation, please contact the CEC's Office of Public Advisor, Energy Equity, and Tribal Affairs at (916) 957-7910 or email at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov.

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