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In the Matter of:)	Docket No. 15-AFC-01
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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR)	APPLICANT’S STATUS REPORT NO. 5
THE PUENTE POWER PROJECT)	
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Applicant hereby submits its Status Report No. 5 for the Puente Power Project (“P3”). The Committee Scheduling Order, dated September 23, 2015, does not include any requirements for the filing of status reports past January 28, 2016. California Energy Commission (CEC) staff have proposed amended schedules calling for status reports on roughly the 15th of each month until publication of the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA). In the interest of keeping the Committee informed, Applicant intends to adhere to Staff’s proposed schedule for the submission of status reports until such time as the Committee issues a revised Scheduling Order, which Applicant urges the Committee to do. Additional discussion regarding the schedule is included below.

Discovery Status

Discovery closed on March 7, 2016. Applicant continues to respond to data requests issued by Intervenor City of Oxnard and Robert Sarvey on or prior to that date. Since submittal of the previous status report, the current status of data requests and responses is as follows:

City of Oxnard

On March 7, 2016, the City of Oxnard issued Set 5 (Amended), which includes Data Requests 95 through 103 in the areas of Environmental Hazards (Coastal Inundation and Sea Level Rise), Land Use and Wastewater. Applicant intends to respond to these data requests by the required deadline.

Robert Sarvey

On March 7, 2016, Robert Sarvey issued Set 1, which includes Data Requests 1 and 2 related to the Project Description. Applicant intends to respond to these data requests by the required deadline.

Project Refinements

Hazardous Materials

Applicant submitted updated information pertaining to the ammonia storage system for P3. Applicant is planning to include a new secondary containment adjacent to the existing secondary containment and relocate the existing ammonia storage tank into a new secondary containment during the construction phase of P3. This information was docketed on February 22, 2016.

Fire Protection

Applicant is updating its evaluation of the fire protection system and secondary emergency access. This information will be provided in March.

Synchronous Condenser

The proposed project does not include clutch technology and is not intended to operate as a synchronous condenser. In order to address potential questions Staff may have on the use of this technology for P3, Applicant prepared an analysis demonstrating that clutch technology is neither needed nor economically feasible at the P3 site. The report was docketed on February 18, 2016.

Schedule

Staff issued its Status Report No. 4 on February 12, 2016 and included a proposed amended schedule for release of the Preliminary Staff Assessment (end of April 2016) based on the current status of the Preliminary Determination of Compliance. Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (VCAPCD) has verbally indicated to CEC staff that they will need until the end of March to complete the PDOC. Applicant is aware that the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD) completed the draft PDOC and associated air quality modeling analysis on March 10, 2016. Applicant requests that CEC staff request a copy of the draft PDOC and air quality modeling analysis from VCAPCD upon VCAPCD's receipt of these documents from the SJVAPCD and work with the respective air agencies towards timely completion and

publication of the PDOC and air quality modeling analysis to minimize the time needed to complete the PSA.

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Respectfully submitted,

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