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ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

In the matter of:)
) Docket No. 15-AFC-01
Application for Certification)
for the Puente Energy Project)

COMMITTEE CONFERENCE/CLOSED SESSION

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
THIRD FLOOR FISHBOWL CONFERENCE ROOM
1516 9TH STREET
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2016

10:00 A.M.

Reported by:

Kent Odell

APPEARANCES

COMMISSIONERS (AND THEIR ADVISORS) PRESENT:

Janea Scott, Presiding Member

Rhetta de Mesa, Advisor

Matt Coldwell, Advisor

Karen Douglas, Associate Member

Jennifer Nelson, Advisor

Kristy Chew, Siting Advisor

HEARING OFFICER:

Raoul Renaud, California Energy Commission

CEC STAFF PRESENT:

Shawn Pittard

Kerry Willis, Assistant Chief Counsel

Michelle Chester, Staff Counsel

INTERVENOR:

Edward Schexnayder, City of Oxnard (Via WebEx)

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 JULY 15, 2016

10:00 A.M.

3 COMMISSIONER SCOTT: Okay. Well, good morning,
4 everyone. This is a Committee Conference and a Closed
5 Session conducted by a Committee of the California Energy
6 Commission regarding the Puente Power Project.

7 The Energy Commission Chair has assigned a Committee
8 of two Commissioners to conduct these proceedings.

9 I am Commissioner Janea Scott and I am Presiding
10 Member of the Committee.

11 And over to my left is the Associate Member of the
12 Committee, Commissioner Karen Douglas.

13 To my right is my Advisor, Rhetta de Mesa.

14 To Commissioner Douglas' left is her Advisor,
15 Jennifer Nelson and my Advisor, Matt Coldwell, and the Siting
16 Advisor, Kristy Chew.

17 And right next to me on the left is our Hearing
18 Officer, Raoul Renaud.

19 So, I would like to ask the parties who are present,
20 or on the phone, to please introduce themselves and their
21 representatives at this time.

22 We have one call-in user. Is that our Applicant?

23 MR. SCHEXNAYDER: Hi, this is Edward Schexnayder,
24 with the City of Oxnard.

25 COMMISSIONER SCOTT: Oh, hello. Good morning.

1 Okay, so it sounds like we do not have anyone from
2 the Applicant here. I know we don't in the room and it
3 sounds like no one on the phone.

4 Staff? It's this one, I think, for the phone.

5 MR. PITTARD: Oh, thank you. Shawn Pittard, Energy
6 Commission Staff. Also here is Staff Counsel, Kerry Willis
7 and Michelle Chester.

8 COMMISSIONER SCOTT: Great. Thank you very much.
9 Good morning.

10 And Intervenors? I heard the City of Oxnard. Do we
11 have any of the other Intervenors on the phone? Okay, thank
12 you very much.

13 We do not have our Public Adviser here today.

14 Do we have any agencies on the phone?

15 All right, anyone else on the phone who would like to
16 introduce themselves?

17 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: We've only got one caller.

18 COMMISSIONER SCOTT: Okay. All right, at this time I
19 will now hand the conduct of this hearing over to our Hearing
20 Officer, Raoul Renaud.

21 HEARING OFFICER RENAUD: Okay, thank you,
22 Commissioner Scott.

23 This Committee Conference and Closed Session was
24 scheduled in a notice dated July 5, 2016. The purpose of
25 today's conference is to give the members of the Committee an

1 opportunity to deliberate in closed session concerning the
2 Puente Power Project.

3 These deliberations may cover the status of the case,
4 the preliminary staff assessment, any pending motions
5 including the request to extend the public comment period on
6 the PSA, and the case schedule.

7 First, we will provide an opportunity for the general
8 public to comment. After that, the Committee will go into
9 closed session.

10 At the conclusion of the closed session, I will
11 return to adjourn the status conference.

12 At this time, I will --

13 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: Do you want to state there
14 won't be any substantive --

15 HEARING OFFICER RENAUD: Okay, sure. Sure.

16 COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS: Because any decision will be
17 made in writing.

18 HEARING OFFICER RENAUD: I think that's a good point,
19 yes. And when I do return to adjourn the status conference,
20 I will not have anything exciting to say at all. I will
21 simply go through the formality of adjourning, which we are
22 required to do under State law.

23 The closed session will be conducted in accordance
24 with Government Code Section 11126(c)(3), which allows a
25 State body, including a delegated committee, to hold a closed

1 session to deliberate on a decision to be reached in a
2 proceeding the State body was required by law to conduct.

3 In the notice for today's proceeding, we did indicate
4 that we would not be hearing oral argument from the parties
5 regarding the motion.

6 So, at this time, I will ask if there's anyone on the
7 phone who wishes to make a public comment. There are no
8 members of the public here in the room, with us.

9 MR. SCHEXNAYDER: Okay, this is Edward Schexnayder
10 again, with the City. It sounds like I might be the only
11 person who's attending this meeting.

12 HEARING OFFICER RENAUD: You are.

13 MR. SCHEXNAYDER: So, we just wanted to call in and
14 make sure that there was nothing else on the schedule. We
15 appreciate the opportunity for the comment period and we
16 won't make any oral argument on the pending matter before the
17 Committee.

18 HEARING OFFICER RENAUD: Thank you, Mr. Schexnayder.
19 Yes, the matter has been carefully and thoroughly vetted by
20 the parties and the Committee will consider all of the
21 written documentation that's been provided. So, thank you.

22 All right, any other -- I don't see any other call-in
23 users and there's no one here. So, at this point we will
24 adjourn the public comment and we will adjourn to closed
25 session. Thank you.

1 MR. SCHEXNAYDER: Thank you.

2 (Thereupon, the Open Session was adjourned to
3 Closed Session at 10:09 a.m.)

4 (Thereupon, the Open Session Recommenced at
5 11:20 a.m.)

6 HEARING OFFICER RENAUD: This is Raoul Renaud, the
7 Hearing Officer on the Puente Power Project matter. I have
8 returned to the hearing room, here at the Energy Commission.
9 the time is 11:20 a.m.

10 I am coming back to report that the Committee has met
11 in closed session and has concluded that closed session.

12 The Committee will issue an order regarding the
13 request to extend the public comment period on the PSA.
14 Thank you for your participation.

15 This ends the committee conference and closed
16 session.

17 (Thereupon, the Hearing was adjourned at
18 11:21 a.m.)

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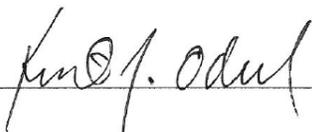
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