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Mr. Robert Oglesby  
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**RE: Puente Power Project (15-AFC-01): Intervenors Sierra Club, Environmental Coalition, and Environmental Defense Center Status Conference Statement (for Tuesday, September 27, 2016 Status Conference)**

Dear Mr. Oglesby:

In accordance with the September 9, 2016 Notice of Committee Status Conference directing all parties to file a statement which “identif[ies] the topics the parties would like to discuss with the Committee during the status conference,” this statement is submitted on behalf of intervenors Sierra Club, Environmental Coalition, and Environmental Defense Center.

Recirculation of the PSA: Extensive comments on the PSA submitted by governmental agencies, nongovernmental organizations, and individuals contained numerous critiques of the Puente project and environmental analysis in the PSA. Many of these critiques are fundamental, and the California Coastal Commission and the County of Ventura Resource Management Agency have recommended against siting of the project due to impacts on coastal wetlands, flood risk, visual resources, biological resources, and coastal recreation. In light of the significant revisions that will be necessary to the PSA and the project itself, environmental intervenors request discussion of recirculation of the PSA.

California Coastal Commission 30413(d) Report: Environmental intervenors request specific discussion of the CCC’s Report, and the Committee’s intended response to that report and its recommendation that the proposed site for Puente be rejected.

Scheduling: Once an FSA is published, environmental intervenors support the motion filed by California Environmental Justice Alliance to provide the parties with additional time for the preparation of testimony and scheduling of the evidentiary hearings. Specifically, we support the following time frame for those deadlines: 6 weeks after FSA for filing of opening testimony; 3 weeks after opening testimony for filing of rebuttal testimony, prehearing conference statements, and exhibit lists; one week from rebuttal testimony to the prehearing conference; and 4 weeks from rebuttal testimony to the evidentiary hearings.

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Sincerely Yours,

*/s/ Brian Segee*

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