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California Energy Commission
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Dear Ms. Scott:

On January 30, 2017 I was informed that an email that I had sent to Brian Trautwein of Environmental Defense Center regarding biological resources at the site of NRG Energy Center Oxnard, LLC's proposed Puente Power Project in Oxnard had been posted to the California Energy Commission's docket for this project.

I would like to clarify, for your record, that I did not speak on behalf of the Coastal Commission when I sent the email. The Coastal Commission's evaluation of the proposed project is included in the report that it approved in September 2016 and was posted to the Energy Commission docket on September 15, 2016.

I would also like to note that had the information that the Environmental Defense Center recently provided to me been available before the Coastal Commission approved its 30413(d) report, this information would not have made a substantive difference in the Coastal Commission staff's recommended Specific Provisions. Coastal Commission staff would have still recommended the Specific Provision found on page 13 of the staff recommendation, which was ultimately adopted by the Coastal Commission, recommending that the Energy Commission require that the proposed project be relocated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jonna Engel".

Jonna Engel, PhD.

Staff Ecologist

cc: Karen Douglas, Commissioner, Associate Member
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Robert B. Weisenmiller, Chair