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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)
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Application for Certification for the) Docket No. 15-AFC-02
Mission Rock Energy Center)

**MISSION ROCK ENERGY CENTER
STATUS REPORT #6**

In accordance with the *Committee Scheduling Order* issued on August 12, 2016,¹ Mission Rock Energy Center, LLC (the “Applicant”) files this Status Report to inform the Committee on the progress of the Mission Rock Energy Center (“Project”) proceeding.

On January 24, 2017, the Applicant submitted updates to the Air Quality and Public Health sections and corresponding appendices of the Application for Certification (“AFC”). The updates were the result of two updated data sets provided by the two air districts processing the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (“PDOC”) for the Project: (1) updated meteorological data provided by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, and (2) revised SO₂ emissions rate calculations recommended by the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District.

SCHEDULE

The Applicant is reviewing the *Revised Scheduling Order* issued by the Committee on January 31, 2017.² The Applicant has some concerns with the timing for publication of the Preliminary Staff Assessment (“PSA”), and requests that the Committee amend the *Revised Scheduling Order* to provide for publication of the PSA 30 days after publication of the Preliminary Determination of Compliance.

DISCOVERY

The *Revised Scheduling Order* provides for the filing of responses to Data Request 115 by February 9, 2017. Data Request 115 was the result of a compromise between Staff and Applicant relating to a revised scope for cultural resources field surveys and documentation. The Applicant agreed to have its technical experts re-evaluate those contributing resources identified during the 1996 survey and the 2015 survey.

Surveys included an evaluation of those resources still in existence based on a review of aerial photographs of parcels identified as being located within one half-mile of the MREC

¹ TN#: 212756.

² TN#: 215674.


project site and generator tie-line route (other than those excluded by CEC Staff per Data Request 115). On November 11, 2016, the Applicant received comments from Staff regarding the proposed cultural resources research design and survey. The Applicant recently completed cultural resources surveys in response to Data Request 115 at the end of January 2017. The Applicant's technical experts are now in the process of documenting the results of the survey and preparing a final report. The Applicant is consulting with its technical experts to evaluate whether all of the documentation associated with the expansive field surveys will be completed by the date specified in the Revised Scheduling Order.

On January 17, 2017, the Applicant submitted a notice of objection relating to Staff's Data Request Set 2A. On January 30, 2017, the Applicant submitted responses to those portions of Staff's Data Request Set 2A to which Applicant did not object, which included a discussion of potential BMPs that may be used at the site.

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