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Please see the email below, concerning Version 12 of the ISEGS ABMMP.

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Hello Mark,

I am sending this email in response to your request for the US Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) to review version 12 of the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System (ISEGS) Avian and Bat Monitoring and Management Plan (ABMMP).

A meeting between the Service, BrightSource Energy, NRG Energy, the California Energy Commission, and the Bureau of Land Management was held on November 21st, 2013. The status of the ABMMP, existing monitoring efforts, and establishment and role of a Technical Advisory Committee was discussed. Although not all of the issues raised in our comments on previous versions of the ABMMP have been fully addressed, the Service believes that the decision process outlined with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) in Version 12 of the document, will provide the framework to address these issues. The Service has provided comments on previous versions of this document, and will bring our suggested changes to the first meeting of the TAC.

During our discussions at the November 21st meeting, we also discussed the status of your interim Special Purpose Utility Permit (SPUT), which the Service recently extended. We noted that the reporting terms of this permit may not be fully aligned with the ABMMP for this project and as agreed upon, you will report as directed under the conditions of the SPUT.

The Service appreciates ISEGS cooperation and willingness to continue coordinating with the Service to ensure that the monitoring methods will result in rigorous data collection, reporting, and implementation of adaptive management measures, as appropriate, to avoid and minimize impacts to avian species.

As you are aware, the ABMMP is not a surrogate permit, therefore it does not limit or preclude the Service from exercising its authority under any law, statute, or regulation, nor does it release any individual, company, or agency of its obligations to comply with Federal, State, or local laws, statutes, or regulations.

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