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## Memorandum

Date: January 26, 2018  
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Subject: **Scheduling for the McLaren Backup Generation Facility SPPE application [17-SPPE-01]**

On January 22, 2018, Hearing Officer Ken Celli docketed a memorandum inviting the parties to submit a proposed schedule for the McLaren SPPE application by Friday, January 26, 2018. Staff appreciates the Committee's desire to provide timing certainty to the application review process.

Staff has already commenced preparation of its evaluation of the application and is expediting its work to the degree possible. The current draft of our Project Manager Proposed Schedule is attached.

The timing of Initial Study publication depends greatly on the speed with which the applicant can respond to staff's data requests and the sufficiency of those responses. Staff published data requests on January 25, 2018 and has suggested that data responses be docketed on or before February 5, 2018. Given the uncertainty of when responses from the applicant will be received and whether they fully answer all of staff's questions, staff proposes that the Committee wait two weeks after the applicant docket its responses to Data Request Set 1 before issuing a formal Scheduling Order. During that two week period staff will docket a revised Project Manager Proposed Schedule with more reliable estimates for key proceeding milestones.

Staff's current internal schedule envisions a decision on the SPPE application at the April or May Business Meeting, consistent with general expectations for SPPE proceedings. Attaining that goal assumes no complications or delays during the analysis and document preparation phase.

## **McLaren SPPE PM Proposed Schedule--DRAFT**

<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
Applicant SPPE filing, including deposit check	12/26
Notice of Receipt docketed	1/11
Committee named at Business Meeting	1/17
Data requests to applicant	1/25
Parties submit proposed schedules	1/26
Applicant provides data responses	on or before 2/5
Draft Initial Study publication	2/23*
Agency, applicant, public comments on the Application and Draft Initial Study and Negative Declaration Recommendation	3/26**
File Final Initial Study and Negative Declaration Recommendation	3/30
Committee/Decision track:	
Committee Scheduling Order for hearing phase	TBD
Prehearing conference (if needed)	4/3
SPPE hearing	on or before 4/6
Committee files Proposed Decision	TBD
Commission Decision	April 11 or May 9

\*meeting this target depends on data request response timing and sufficiency

\*\*30 day comment period per CEQA