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**SUBJECT: BLYTHE SOLAR POWER PROJECT (09-AFC-6C)
AUTHORIZATION TO START CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES**

Dear Mr. Handel:

Energy Commission staff has completed its review of the pre-construction conditions of certification submittals that are required prior to the start of construction of the Blythe Solar Power Project. In accordance with the applicable Energy Commission Conditions of Certification, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Right-of-Way Grant and other governing document requirements, and the associated plans (as approved), staff has determined that NextEra Blythe Solar Energy Center, LLC (NextEra Blythe Solar) may commence with construction activities as of March 23, 2015. The BLM issued a Notice to Proceed on March 19, 2015.

NextEra Blythe Solar shall also comply with the current draft Cultural Resources Monitoring and Mitigation Plan (CRMMP) dated February 23, 2015 required by Condition of Certification CUL-5. Final approval of the CRMMP (which is subject to change) is pending a seven day comment period by the tribes. Staff anticipates this comment period will begin by March 23, 2015.

The Energy Commission will continue to work closely with NextEra Blythe Solar Energy Center, LLC to ensure conformance with all conditions of certification in the Energy Commission's Final Decision.

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If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 651-8891 or e-mail me at mary.dyas@energy.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Dyas', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mary Dyas
Compliance Project Manager

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Frank McMenimen, Bureau of Land Management
Adrienne Charbonneau, NextEra Blythe Solar Energy Center, LLC