BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE SAN GABRIEL GENERATING STATION

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SITE VISIT AND INFORMATIONAL HEARING

On April 13, 2007, the San Gabriel Power Generation, LLC (Applicant), a subsidiary of Reliant Energy, submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to construct and operate the San Gabriel Generating Station (SGGS) Project, a combined cycle electrical power plant facility in the City of Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino County. The proposed project is a nominal 656-megawatt (MW) combined cycle power plant facility consisting of two natural-gas-fired turbine generators, one steam turbine generator and associated equipment. The facility will be located on the existing Etiwanda Generating Station (EGS) property owned by Reliant Energy, located at 8996 Etiwanda Avenue. The Energy Commission has exclusive jurisdiction to license this project and is considering the proposal under a twelve-month review process established by Public Resources Code section 25540.6.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Energy Commission has designated a Committee of two commissioners to conduct proceedings on the application. The Committee has scheduled a public Site Visit and Informational Hearing to discuss the proposed project as described below:

FRIDAY, JULY 6, 2007 Site Visit begins (bus leaves) at 3:00 p.m. Public Informational Hearing begins at 4:00 p.m.

> Victoria Gardens Cultual Center Celebration Hall 12505 Cultural Center Drive Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739 Wheelchair Accessible (Map Attached)

Prior to the Informational Hearing, members of the public are invited to join the Committee on a tour of the proposed site. The Applicant will provide transportation to and from the project site. For reservations, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489 or 1-800-822-6228 or e-mail at: [pao@energy.state.ca.us]. Please make your reservation on or before July 2, 2007 so that we can assure you a space.

Background

On May 23, 2007, the Energy Commission began review of the proposed SGGS. The review process will take approximately twelve months. During the review period, the Energy Commission will determine whether the proposed project complies with applicable laws related to public health and safety, environmental impacts and engineering requirements. The Informational Hearing scheduled by this Notice is sponsored by the Energy Commission to inform the public about the project and to invite public participation in the review process.

Project Description

The SGGS is a nominal 656 MW combined cycle power plant, proposed to be constructed in an industrially zoned area in the City of Rancho Cucamonga. It consists of two 180 MW Siemens 5000F natural-gas-fired turbine generators, two natural-gas-fired heat recovery steam generators (HRSG), one 330 MW steam turbine generator and associated equipment. Construction is planned to start in fall 2008 and commercial operation is planned by mid summer 2010.

The SGGS facility would occupy a 17-acre site in an area zoned for heavy industrial use. The majority of the site consists of approximately 16.2 acres in the northwestern portion of the existing 60 acre Etiwanda Generating Station (EGS) property owned by Reliant Energy, located at 8996 Etiwanda Avenue. It would also occupy approximately 0.8-acre of adjacent property currently owned by the Inland Empire Utility Agency (IEUA). The SGGS project site would be adjacent to Southern California Edison's (SCE) planned Rancho Vista substation and approximately 1 mile east of Interstate 15 and 1.5 miles north of Interstate 10. The Rancho Vista substation, which is scheduled to start construction in mid-2008 and begin operating in mid-2009, is not part of the proposed SGGS project.

Several areas within the EGS property would be used for onsite temporary construction laydown. In addition, approximately 4.5 acres of land currently owned by IEUA would be used for construction laydown. An offsite construction laydown and parking area, approximately 11.2 acres within a 15 acre site, would be located approximately 1,300 feet west of the proposed SGGS project site. This site is bounded on the north by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad main east-west line, on the east by a BNSF spur track, and on the south and west by dirt roads. An approximately 3,120-foot temporary access road from 6th Street to the offsite laydown/parking area and proposed SGGS project site would be built during the initial project construction phase.

Transmission interconnection would be by 1,100-foot, single-circuit 525-kV line that would connect the SGGS' switchyard with the future SCE Rancho Vista substation. Natural gas will be supplied by the Southern California Gas Company using a new 530-foot, 20 inch-diameter gas line connection from gas transmission line 4002 that will continue generally westward to a new proposed SGGS project metering station on the EGS property.

Dry cooling technology is proposed for turbine cooling. Water for non-cooling needs will be supplied from the existing EGS makeup water reservoir, which contains primarily reclaimed water from the IEUA supplied under an existing water services agreement. Sanitary wastewater will be discharged to a new onsite sanitary waste septic system, which will include a septic tank and leachfield. Plant process wastewater streams will be collected in the plant wastewater sump. From the sump, the wastewater will be pumped to the existing 21 inch pipeline to the IEUA system under the existing EGS Industrial User's permit.

Air emissions from the SGGS facility would be controlled using best available control technology (BACT) applied to each turbine's and HRSG's exhaust. Dry low nitrogen combustors in the turbines and a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) unit in the HRSGs will be used to control oxides of nitrogen (NOx). Aqueous ammonia will be used in the SCR unit. An oxidation catalyst unit will be used in the HRSGs for the control of carbon monoxide (CO) and precursor organic compounds (POC).

The engineering and environmental details of the proposed project are contained in the AFC. Copies of the AFC are available at the local public agencies that are involved in the review process and at the following libraries: Archibald Library (Rancho Cucamonga), Paul A. Biane Library (Rancho Cucamonga), San Bernardino County Library (San Bernardino), City of Ontario Main Library, Upland City Library, Fontana Branch Library, the Energy Commission's Library in Sacramento, the California State Library in Sacramento, and at public libraries in Eureka, San Francisco, Fresno, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Purpose of the Informational Hearing

The power plant licensing process, which incorporates requirements equivalent to the California Environmental Quality Act, considers all relevant engineering and environmental aspects of the proposed project. The licensing review process provides a public forum allowing the Applicant, Commission staff, governmental agencies, adjacent landowners, and members of the general public to consider the advantages and disadvantages of the project, and to propose changes, mitigation measures, and alternatives as necessary.

The informational hearing scheduled in this Notice provides an opportunity for members of the community in the project vicinity to obtain information, to offer comments and concerns, and to view the project site. The Applicant will explain plans for developing the project and the related facilities and the Energy Commission staff will explain the administrative licensing process and Staff's role in reviewing the application.

Proposed Schedule and Issue Identification Report

To assist participants in understanding the process, Energy Commission staff shall file a proposed schedule for project review. Staff shall also file an Issue Identification Report summarizing the major issues. Staff's report shall indicate whether Applicant's data responses have been timely and what additional information is necessary to resolve

issues of concern. The proposed schedule and Staff's report shall be filed by 5 p.m. on June 29, 2007. The Applicant shall file its response, if any, by 5 p.m. on July 3, 2007.

Copies of these documents will be posted on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: [www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/sangabriel/].

Public Adviser and Public Participation

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser is available to assist the public in participating in the application review process. For those individuals who require general information on how to participate, please contact the Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489 or 1-800-822-6228 or e-mail: [pao@energy.state.ca.us]. If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in this event, contact Lourdes Quiroz at 916-654-5146 or e-mail: [lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us].

Information

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Stan Yeh, the Staff Project Manager, at (916) 651-8843 or e-mail: [syeh@energy.state.ca.us].

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Paul Kramer, the Hearing Officer, at (916) 654-5103 or e-mail: [pkramer@energy.state.ca.us].

Media inquiries should be directed to Claudia Chandler, Assistant Executive Director for Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail at: [mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us].

Information concerning the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: [www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/sangabriel/].

Dated June 13, 2007, at Sacramento, California.

JAMES D. BOYD

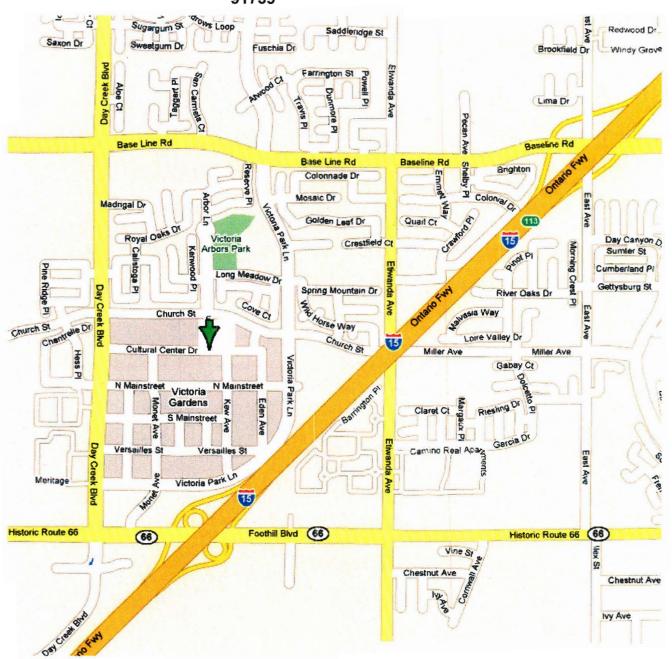
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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, <u>Kate Nicholls</u>, declare that on <u>June 13</u>, <u>2007</u>, I deposited copies of the attached <u>Notice of Public Site Visit and Informational Hearing</u> in the United States mail at <u>Sacramento</u>, <u>California</u> with first-class postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to those identified on the Proof of Service list above.

OR

Transmission via electronic mail was consistent with the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 1209, 1209.5, and 1210. All electronic copies were sent to all those identified on the Proof of Service list above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Hearing Advisors Office