On November 6, 2008, this Committee issued an Evidentiary Hearing Order in which it stated:

Once the Applicant has identified the emissions offsets to be applied to the CPV Sentinel Project pursuant to Public Resources Code § 25523(d)(2), the Committee orders the Applicant to confer with Staff to determine whether the identified emissions offsets raise any dispute between the parties. The Committee recommends that the parties use their best efforts to resolve any such disputes prior to making a request that the Committee set a date to take evidence on Air Quality. After conferring with Staff regarding the emissions offsets, the Applicant is ordered to so inform the Hearing Officer who will issue a Notice of Evidentiary Hearing.

A dispute has been identified between the parties. California Communities Against Toxics (hereinafter “CCAT”) disputes, among other issues, the validity of the emission reduction credits offered by the Applicant. On March 30, 2010, prior to the Committee issuing its scheduling order, CCAT petitioned this Committee for an Order to Allow Submission of Data Requests regarding the validity of the emission reduction credits offered by the Applicant.

On April 22, 2010, declining to exercise its authority to request data from the Applicant and its authority pursuant to 20 CCR 1203(b) to issue a subpoena duces tecum to the SCAQMD, this Committee directed CCAT to seek information regarding the validity of the emission reduction credits to be applied to the CPV Sentinel Project via a Public Records Act request to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (hereinafter “SCAQMD”). CCAT has made such a request to the SCAQMD. On April 26, 2010, SCAQMD’s General Counsel, Kurt Wiese,
informed CCAT that the SCAQMD will respond to the request but Mr. Wiese declined to state when CCAT should expect to receive the responsive documents.

As CCAT and the Applicant have noted “[t]he information sought by CCAT goes to the integrity of the offsets in the SCAQMD’s internal emission offset account.”¹ This Commission has a clear, affirmative duty both under 20 CCR 1752 and AB 1318² to find that a project complies with all applicable laws. Indeed, AB 1318 clearly states:

the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission shall not certify an eligible electrical generation facility if it determines that the credit and transfer by the south coast district do not satisfy all applicable legal requirements. Health & Safety Code 40440.14(c).

Receipt and review of the documents from the SCAQMD regarding the validity of the emission reduction credits upon which the Applicant seeks to rely is necessary for CCATs testimony on this matter and the Commissions finding of fact for certification of this project.

**Conclusion**

The information CCAT has requested from the SCAQMD is necessary for any testimony regarding the Applicant’s proffered emission reduction credits and the requirement that this Commission determine the validity of those credits. Consistent with this Committee’s Order, CCAT has requested the information from SCAQMD and awaits its arrival. Upon receipt of the requested documents from the SCAQMD, CCAT will immediately review the information for completeness and content and submit testimony to this Committee in as timely a manner as possible.³

Dated April 28, 2010

Respectfully Submitted,

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¹ Applicant’s Objection to Petition for Order to Allow Submission Of Data Requests, at 3.
² CCAT has challenged the Constitutionality of the adoption of AB 1318 in Los Angeles Superior Court and in making reference to the statute or any of its provisions does not assert or recognize the legality of it.
³ CCAT identified other issues in its January 11, 2010 Issues Identification Report. In keeping with past practice of the Committee, for maximum efficiency CCAT will submit all of its testimony on Air Quality at the same time.
DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Angela Johnson Meszaros, declare that on, April 28, 2010, I served and filed a copy of the attached California Communities Against Toxics Testimony on Air Quality. The original document, filed with the Docket Unit, is accompanied by a copy of the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at: [http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/sentinel/index.html]

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