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RE: Data Response, Set 1J
Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System (07-AFC-5)

Dear Che:

On behalf of Solar Partners I, LLC, Solar Partners II, LLC, Solar Partners IV, LLC, and Solar Partners VIII, LLC, please find attached one original and 12 hard copies of Data Response, Set 1J, which addresses Staff's Data Request 41 dated December 12, 2007.

As we previously discussed, this data response is a compilation of other previously provided responses and is being provided to facilitate staff's review.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System (ISEGS)

(07-AFC-5)

Data Response, Set 1J

(Response to Data Request for: Cultural Resources)

Submitted to the
California Energy Commission

Submitted by
**Solar Partners I, LLC; Solar Partners II, LLC; Solar Partners IV, LLC;
and Solar Partners VIII, LLC**

December 8, 2008

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Introduction

Attached are Solar Partners I, LLC, Solar Partners II, LLC, Solar Partners IV, LLC, and Solar Partners VIII, LLC (Applicant) responses to the California Energy Commission (CEC) Staff's data requests for the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System (Ivanpah SEGS) Project (07-AFC-5). The CEC Staff served these data requests on December 12, 2007, as part of the discovery process for Ivanpah SEGS. The responses are grouped by individual discipline or topic area. Within each discipline area, the responses are presented in the same order as CEC Staff presented them and are keyed to the Data Request numbers (1 through 116). New graphics or tables are numbered in reference to the Data Request number. For example, the first table used in response to Data Request 15 would be numbered Table DR15-1. The first figure used in response to Data Request 15 would be Figure DR15-1, and so on. AFC figures or tables that have been revised have "R1" following the original number, indicating revision 1.

Additional tables, figures, or documents submitted in response to a data request (supporting data, stand-alone documents such as plans, folding graphics, etc.) are found at the end of a discipline-specific section and may not be sequentially page-numbered consistently with the remainder of the document, though they may have their own internal page numbering system.

The Applicant looks forward to working cooperatively with the CEC and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) staff as the Ivanpah SEGS Project proceeds through the siting process. We trust that these responses address the Staff's questions and remain available to have any additional dialogue the Staff may require.

Cultural Resources (41)

Background

The construction of the project may produce a stark visual intrusion in the viewshed of the portion of Ivanpah Valley around the Ivanpah Lake playa. Appendix 5-3B does not consider whether the project has the potential to affect Native American traditional use areas in this viewshed. Staff needs additional information to evaluate the proposed project's potential to adversely impact potentially significant ethnographic resources.

Data Request

41. Please provide discussions, on the basis of extant literature and Native American contacts, of known traditional use areas such as rock art sites, shrines, or gathering places in the viewshed of the project that may be subject to the project's visual intrusion, and of the potential presence or absence of other such areas in that viewshed.

Response: This data request was clarified at the June 23, 2008 workshop. Additional fieldwork was conducted as agreed to with BLM and CEC cultural resources staff. The results of that field effort are provided as Confidential Attachment DR41-1. It has been filed under a repeated request for confidentiality.

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

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE *IVANPAH SOLAR ELECTRIC
GENERATING SYSTEM***

DOCKET No. 07-AFC-5

**PROOF OF SERVICE
(Revised 7/14/08)**

INSTRUCTIONS: All parties shall 1) send an original signed document plus 12 copies OR 2) mail one original signed copy AND e-mail the document to the web address below, AND 3) all parties shall also send a printed OR electronic copy of the documents that shall include a proof of service declaration to each of the individuals on the proof of service:

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Mary Finn, declare that on December 9, 2008 I deposited copies of the attached Data Response, Set 1J in the United States mail at Sacramento, California with first-class postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to those identified on the Proof of Service list above.

Transmission via electronic mail was consistent with the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 20, sections 1209, 1209.5, 1210. All electronic pages 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.



Mary Finn