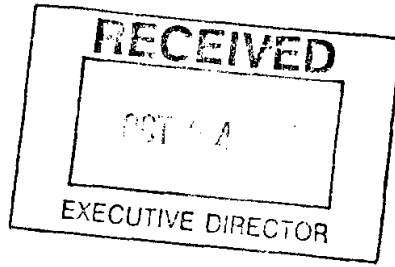


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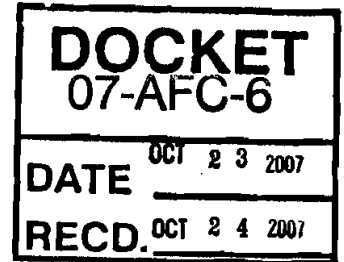
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**Re: Carlsbad Energy Center Project (07-AFC-6)
Application for Designation of Confidential Cultural Resources Records**

Dear Mr. Blevins:

Carlsbad Energy Center LLC ("Carlsbad Energy") submits this Application for Designation of Confidential Records ("Application") with respect to the attached information pertaining to cultural resources (Attachment A). Carlsbad Energy is submitting this Application as part of its Application for Certification of the Carlsbad Energy Center Project ("CECP"), which addresses the topic area of cultural resources in detail.

Through this letter, Carlsbad Energy requests confidential designation of the attached information under Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 2505. In addition, Carlsbad Energy understands that, pursuant to Title 20 California Code of Regulations sections 2505(a)(2) and (a)(3)(B), the attached information will not be publicly disclosed while this Application for Confidential Designation, or any appeal of the Commission's determination regarding this Application, remains pending. Carlsbad Energy also understands that the Commission has executed or intends to execute a memorandum of understanding incorporating similar terms with the cultural resources information centers associated with the Project.

Carlsbad Energy provides the following in support of its Application:

(a) *Description/Separation of the Confidential Records.*

Attachment A, which is marked "Confidential," is the subject of this Application and pertains to cultural resources within the Project area, and which may be impacted by the Project. This information includes confidential maps of cultural resources sites and confidential results of a field survey, literature search, and archival research regarding potential cultural resources.

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