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Subject: SOLAR MILLENNIUM'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE

DOCKET NO. (09-AFC-9)

Enclosed for filing with the California Energy Commission is the original of the **SOLAR MILLENNIUM'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE**, for the Ridgecrest Solar Power Project (09-AFC-9).

Sincerely,

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Energy Resources
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In the Matter of:

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Application for Certification for the RIDGECREST SOLAR POWER PROJECT

SOLAR MILLENNIUM'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE

In accordance with the Committee Notice for the Site Visit and Informational Hearing, Solar Millennium hereby files its proposed schedule for Committee consideration in preparing its scheduling order. For ease of review by the Committee, our proposed schedule has been prepared using "redline-strikeout" of the schedule proposed by Staff in its Issue Identification Report dated December 28, 2009 (IIR). The attached schedule has been designed with the primary objective of instituting frequent Committee oversight in the progression of the Licensing process. We strongly believe that in order to reach a position where the Committee can make a Decision on the project in time for stimulus funding, the Committee will need to take a more active role during the normal progression of the licensing process. Frequent Committee oversight will allow the parties a forum to present scheduling hurdles, resolve disputes and jointly develop creative solutions to achieve the schedule.

Solar Millennium is currently preparing responses to Staff Data Requests Set 1, dated December 22, 2009 and continues to work cooperatively with Staff. We are committed to creative problem solving that will enable the Commission to approve the Project in time for it to obtain stimulus funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

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Scott A. Galati Counsel to Solar Millennium PROPOSED SCHEDULE – Ridgecrest Solar Power Project - (09-AFC-9)
Solar Millennium Proposed Changes

ACTIVITY	DATE
Commission's determination that AFC is complete	11/4/09
Staff files Data Requests	12/22/09
Staff files Issues Identification Report	12/23/09
Data Request Workshop	TBD
Technical staff receive final comments and conditions from appropriate agencies	1/4/10-1/10/10
Energy Commission Informational Hearing/Site Visit and BLM Public Scoping Meeting	1/5/10
Applicant provides Data Responses	1/22/09
Data Response and Issue Resolution workshop	TBD
Administrative Staff Assessment/Draft EIS (SA/DEIS)	1/25/10
Local, state and federal agency draft determinations AQMD files PDOC	2/12/10
Notice of Availability of SA/DEIS in Federal Register; SA/DEIS filed and 90-day comment period begins; BLM submits Biological Assessment (BA) to USFWS	2/19/10
Staff Assessment (SA) published	3/3/10
Committee Status Conference	<u>3/5/10</u>
Staff Assessment Workshop	3/17/10
BA determined adequate by USFWS	3/19/10
Local, state and federal agency final determinations AQMD files FDOC	4/9/10
Committee Status Conference	<u>4/21/10</u>
Staff Assessment Addendum (SAA) prepared	4/30/10
Prehearing Conference*	TBD
Evidentiary hearings*	TBD
Close BLM comment period	5/20/10
Committee Status Conference	<u>5/26/10</u>
Response to comments, prepare Staff Assessment Addendum(SAA)/FEIS	7/1/10
Administrative SAA/FEIS circulated for agency staff review	7/9/10
USFWS issues Biological Opinion	7/15/10
SAA/FEIS distributed; NOA of SA/FEIS in Federal Register	7/30/10
BLM Plan Amendment Protest Period ends; Expedited Governor's review period ends	8/30/10
Presiding Members Proposed Decision (PMPD)*	TBD
Committee Hearing on PMPD*	TBD
Addendum/Revised PMPD*	TBD
BLM Record of Decision/Right of Way (ROD/ROW) issued; Energy Commission Decision*	TBD



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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION For the RIDGECREST SOLAR POWER PROJECT

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PROOF OF SERVICE (Revised 12/23/09)

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, David Wiseman, declare that on January 4, 2010, I served and filed copies of the attached **SOLAR**MILLENNIUM'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE dated **January 4, 2010**. 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/ridgecrest]

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

David Wiseman