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2554 Sweetwater Springs Boulevard  
Spring Valley, CA 91978

**DOCKET****11-AFC-1**

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Subject: **Request for Production of a Water Supply Assessment**

Dear Mr. Watton,

The California Energy Commission is currently conducting an environmental review of the proposed Pio Pico Energy Center (PPEC). The PPEC is a 300-megawatt power plant proposing to use recycled water supplied by the Otay Water District, once the supply becomes available and the pipeline infrastructure improvements are completed. In the interim, the PPEC is proposing to use potable water to meet all of its demands. On February 15, 2011 we sent you a copy of the Application for Certification (11-AFC-1) which contains a detailed description of the project, the applicant's view of the PPEC's environmental impacts, and their proposed mitigation measures.

Because we are responsible to conduct an independent environmental review of the PPEC under our certified regulatory program, it is important for us to understand whether or not there is an adequate and reliable supply of potable water for the construction and operation of the PPEC. As such, please provide the Energy Commission with a Water Supply Assessment for the proposed PPEC, in conformance with Senate Bill 610.

Please feel free to call me at 916-651-0966 with any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Solorio".

Eric Solorio, *Project Manager*  
Siting, Transmission and Environmental  
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