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Mr. Eric K. Solorio
Project Manager
Siting, Transmission and Environmental Protection (STEP) Division
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-2000
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Quail Brush Generation Project

Dear Mr. Solorio:

I am writing today regarding fire and emergency medical service for the proposed Quail Brush Generation Project, located in the City of San Diego, North of Route 52 off the Sycamore Landfill Road. The proposed Project is a 100 MW natural gas fired electrical generation facility.

The San Diego Fire-Rescue Department will be able to provide the Quail Brush facility with fire protection and emergency medical services during both construction and operation of the facility with its current level of personnel and material assets. However, emergency response times to this location will not meet the City's adopted response time goals of 7.5 minutes for a single unit and 10.5 minutes for a multiple unit response.

The San Diego Fire-Rescue Department has automatic-aid agreements with other response agencies which may provide units to this location; however, the response of the agencies below cannot be assured now or in the future. The Santee and Heartland units and response times are as follows:

HE5 – 9.8 minutes
HE4 – 12.8 minutes
HE7 – 13.4 minutes
HE12 – 14.0 minutes
HEB4 – 12.8 minutes

San Diego Fire-Rescue Department's units and response times are as follows:

E34 – 14.6 minutes
E39 – 15.2 minutes
T28 – 17.7 minutes
B7 – 20.0 minutes

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If additional training of fire department personnel is determined to be required to service specific needs of the power plant, Cogentrix has expressed desire to sponsor such training. I have been made aware of a similar project developed and constructed by Cogentrix in Arvada Colorado called Plains End 2. Plains End 2 is a similar sized electrical generation facility which utilizes the same natural gas fired reciprocating engines and ancillary facilities as those proposed for Quail Brush. The Plains End 2 Facility has been in operation since May 2008. Discussions with the Arvada Fire Chief may be initiated if considered necessary.

Lastly, the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department will work with Quail Brush to develop a comprehensive Fire Protection Plan. The Plan will be developed as the detail design of the facility progresses. The proposed fire protection for Quail Brush is described in the Project's Application for Certification (AFC) on file with the California Energy Commission (CEC). If the final Fire Protection Plan requires more stringent design requirements than those currently described in the AFC, then the more stringent requirements will be incorporated in the final plant design.

Sincerely,



Javier Mainar
Fire Chief