March 14, 2013

VIA EMAIL

Ms. Felicia Miller, Siting Project Manager
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Re: Huntington Beach Energy Project (12-AFC-02)
Response to Staff’s Informal Inquiry

Dear Ms. Miller:

On behalf of Applicant AES Southland Development, LLC, please find enclosed herewith Applicant’s email correspondence to Staff’s informal inquiry regarding the existing Huntington Beach Generating Station’s fuel oil tanks.

Should you have any questions regarding these responses, please contact Robert Mason or me directly.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Foster

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Enclosure

cc: Proof of Service
Felicia

Please see below the Applicant’s response to Ellie Townsend-Hough January 29, 2013 question regarding the status of two of the existing fuel tanks at the Huntington Beach Generating Station.

Question:
I have another question on the tanks. Could you find out if the fuel tanks were cleaned out and when the tanks were cleaned? If the tanks were not cleaned can I get an estimate on how much residual fuel oil was in the tanks.

The information I’m asking for will make the difference in two conditions. If it is too much to ask I will but the strictest conditions possible. The fire department was asking me some questions. The fire department was being cooperative but they may refer me to the Planning Department tomorrow.

**Applicant’s Response:**
It is AES’s understanding the large fuel oil tank was drained and cleaned in the late 1980s / early 90s. The smaller tank for the Peaker was drained along with the fuel lines in 2002.

Some of these actions took place before AES had control of the site. AES does not have full documentation for the status of these tanks and fuel lines. Therefore, as part of the planning for the final removal of these two tanks and their supporting fuel lines, the EPC selected by AES will review available data and inspect the two fuel tanks and their fuel lines, and will prepare a specific plan to confirm the status of these tanks and fuel lines, and to safely dismantle and remove them in a manner to avoid a release to the environment. Based on this confirmation, the EPC will prepare a plan for the removal of the tanks and fuel lines and will provide this plan to the CPM upon request.

Robert
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I, Judith M. Warmuth, declare that on March 14, 2013, I served and filed copies of the attached Applicant's Response to Staff's Informal Inquiry dated March 14, 2013. This document is accompanied by the most recent Proof of Service, which I copied from the web page for this project at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/huntington_beach_energy/index.html.

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Dated: March 14, 2013

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Judith M. Warmuth