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Dear Librarian:

DOCUMENT HANDLING FOR THE AVENAL ENERGY APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION (08-AFC-1) – SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

On March 27, 2008, the California Energy Commission received a supplement to the Avenal Energy Application for Certification (AFC). This supplement to the AFC provides additional information required by the Energy Commission's data adequacy regulations.

On February 21, 2008, Avenal Power Center, LLC (Avenal Power) filed an Application for Certification (AFC) for the Avenal Energy project (Avenal Energy). Avenal Power is seeking Energy Commission approval to construct and operate a 600 megawatt combined-cycle power plant in the City of Avenal in Kings County under the Energy Commission's standard 12-month power plant licensing process. On April 16, 2008, the Energy Commission found that, with the supplement, the application is complete.

The Energy Commission's siting process is open to the public and incorporates the input of the public as well as local, state, and federal agencies. To facilitate public participation in our review process, the Energy Commission has sent copies of the Avenal Energy AFC to libraries in the project area, and to libraries in Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Diego, Fresno, and Eureka.

Please make the enclosed AFC supplement available for those who may wish to be informed about the proposed project. We request that you not allow the AFC supplement or any of its contents be removed from the library. To increase accessibility of the document, we ask, if possible, that you cross reference it as a general reference work under the title and author categories, as well as under such subjects as "Energy Commission," "electricity," "energy/generation," "power plant siting," or any other relevant subject.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Christopher Meyer, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 653-1639, or by email at cmeyer@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

Eileen Allen, Manager For
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To: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FACILITATING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE REVIEW OF THE AVENAL ENERGY APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION (08-AFC-1)**

On February 21, 2008, Avenal Power Center, LLC (Avenal Power) filed an Application for Certification (AFC) for the Avenal Energy project (Avenal Energy). Avenal Power is seeking Energy Commission approval to construct and operate a 600 megawatt (MW) combined-cycle power plant in the City of Avenal in Kings County under the Energy Commission's standard 12-month power plant licensing process. A copy of this AFC was previously provided to the library on February 29, 2008. Enclosed with this letter is a copy of an information supplement to the AFC. On April 16, 2008, the Energy Commission accepted the AFC with the supplemental information as complete. The Energy Commission staff has now begun the data discovery and analysis phases of the proposed project's 12-month licensing process.

Energy Commission's Facility Certification Process

The Energy Commission is responsible for reviewing and ultimately approving or denying all applications to construct and operate thermal electric power plants, 50 MW and greater in California. The Energy Commission's facility certification process carefully examines public health and safety, environmental impacts, and engineering aspects of proposed power plants and all related facilities, such as electric transmission lines and natural gas and water pipelines. The Energy Commission is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), although, through its certified regulatory program, it produces several environmental and decision documents rather than an Environmental Impact Report.

Public Participation

Over the coming months, the Energy Commission will conduct a number of public workshops and hearings to determine whether the proposed project should be approved for construction and operation and, if so, under what set of conditions. These workshops will provide the public, as well as local, state and federal agencies the opportunity to participate in reviewing the proposed project. The Energy Commission will issue notices for these workshops and hearings at least 10 days prior to the meeting. If you are not currently receiving these notices and would like to be placed on the mailing list, please contact Mineka Foggie, Project Secretary at (916) 653-1608, or by e-mail at mfoggie@energy.state.ca.us.

Please direct your technical or project schedule questions to Christopher Meyer, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 653-1639, or by email at cmeyer@energy.state.ca.us. If you desire information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the project, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by email at pao@energy.state.ca.us. If you require special accommodations, please contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146. News media inquiries should be directed to the media office at (916) 654-4989, or by email at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us. The status of the proposed project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's Internet web site at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/avenal>. You can also subscribe to receive email notification of all notices at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers>.

Please retain this letter with the supplemental information to the AFC. Thank You.