

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1516 NINTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 1-800-822-6228 – WWW.ENERGY.CA.GOV

DOCKET 08-AFC-1

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IN THE MATTER OF:

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE AVENAL ENERGY PROJECT

DOCKET NO. 08-AFC-1

COMMITTEE ORDER GRANTING AND DENYING PETITIONS TO INTERVENE

Upon consideration of the Petitions to Intervene filed recently by Petitioners Center on Race, Poverty & The Environment (CRPE), Tehipite Chapter, Sierra Club, Rob Simpson, and Charles M. Ashley the Committee designated to conduct proceedings in this matter makes the following findings:

1. On June 5, 2009, the Petitions to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding were filed by:

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2. On June 8, 2009, a Petition to Intervene in the above-caption proceeding and a Request to Stay Proceedings Pending Commission Posting of Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) was filed by:

Rob Simpson
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3. On June 10, 2009, a Petition to Intervene in the above-caption proceeding was filed by:

Charles M. Ashley 31277 Watts Valley Road Tollhouse, CA 93667

- 4. In a response filed on June 10, 2009, Applicant stated it did not oppose the Petitions to Intervene filed on June 5, 2009.
- 5. The Petitions filed on June 5 and June 8, 2009, were timely filed and contain the information required by section 1207 of the Commission's regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1207);
- 6. Petitioners' interests appear relevant to this proceeding.
- 7. However, the Petition to Intervene filed on June 10, 2009, by Charles M. Ashley, was filed after the legal deadline and is not timely. Section 1207 (b) of the Commission's regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20 § 1207 (b)) requires petitions to intervene in power plant cases to be filed either 30 days prior to evidentiary hearings or by the Prehearing Conference, whichever is earlier. Evidentiary hearings in this case begin on July 7, 2009, making June 8, 2009 the last day to file a timely petition to intervene.
- 8. **THEREFORE**, the Committee **ORDERS** that the timely filed Petitions to Intervene in this matter be **GRANTED** to the extent that Petitioners shall be placed upon the Proof of Service List as Intervenors. Petitioners may exercise the rights and shall fulfill the obligations of a party as set forth in section 1712 of the Commission's regulations. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1712.) The deadlines for conducting discovery in this case are past and other matters shall not be extended by the granting of these Petitions. Therefore, Petitioner Simpson's Request to Stay Proceeding is specifically **DENIED**. Parties may participate in all remaining events in the case as shown on the attached schedule issued by the Committee on April 24, 2009.
- 9. The Commission has no provision for hardship status petitions. Petitioners' will be **REQUIRED** to file all documents with the Docket Unit by filing a single original hard copy and one electronic copy and to serve all documents upon all parties electronically using the email addresses provided on the Proof of Service list.
- 10. Further, the Executive Director or her designee shall ensure that Petitioners are immediately provided with a copy of the Application for Certification (AFC).

Dated June 11, 2009 at Sacramento, California

JEFFREY D. BYRON
Commissioner and Presiding Member

Avenal AFC Committee

ARTHUR H. ROSENFELD Commissioner and Associate Member Avenal AFC Committee

REVISED SCHEDULE

Avenal Energy Project April 24, 2009

DATE	EVENT
June 1, 2009	Staff Files Final Staff Assessment
June 8, 2009	All other parties file testimony
June 15, 2009	All parties file rebuttal testimony
June 22, 2009	All parties file Prehearing Conference Statements
June 30, 2009	Prehearing Conference*
July 7, 2009	Evidentiary Hearing*
Pending	Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD)
Pending	Committee Conference on PMPD
Pending	Energy Commission HearingFinal Decision

^{*}DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS FOR THESE EVENTS WILL BE SENT TO ALL PARTIES
IN A SEPARATE PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE EVENTS.



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Docket No. 08-AFC-1 PROOF OF SERVICE (Revised 6/11/2009)

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, <u>RoseMary Avalos</u>, declare that on <u>June 11, 2009</u>, I served and filed copies of the attached <u>Committee Order Granting and Denying Petitions to Intervene</u>, <u>dated June 11, 2009</u>. 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: [www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/avenal].

The document has been sent to both the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit, in the following manner:

(Check all that Apply)

	FOR SERVICE TO ALL OTHER PARTIES:
X	sent electronically to all email addresses on the Proof of Service list;
X	by personal delivery or by depositing in the United States mail at <u>Sacramento, California</u> with first-class postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed as provided on the Proof of Service list above to those addresses NOT marked "email preferred."
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l declar	e under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Original Signed By:
RoseMary Avalos