

Docket Optical System - Fwd: Re: OBJECTION TO INADEQUATE NOTICE OF Workshop on the Final Staff Assessment for the Avenal Energy project to be held June 23rd

From: Elena Miller
To: Docket Optical System
Date: 6/22/2009 12:19 PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: OBJECTION TO INADEQUATE NOTICE OF Workshop on the Final Staff Assessment for the Avenal Energy project to be held June 23rd

Please docket to Avenal, 08-AFC-01. Thank you.

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DATE	June 22 2009
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>>> Elena Miller 6/19/2009 8:26 AM >>>
 Bradley,

Thank you for your email last night. You've addressed the email to the California Energy Commission but I am the only representative of the Commission that received your email. I will docket the email so that it is distributed to the parties in this proceeding. Please note that you may send comments directly to our docket unit at: docket@energy.state.ca.us.

During our conversation on Wednesday evening I was confused about your statement that you regularly receive electronic notices from the Energy Commission, yet, you did not receive the notice of the Avenal workshop scheduled for June 23rd.

The News Release List Server is the Energy Commission's tool to send out media advisories of upcoming events. You are signed up for the News Release List Server, and thus received the Avenal media advisory sent yesterday. However, you are not signed up for the Avenal List Server. I recommend that you visit the project web page and sign-up for the Avenal List Server. In June alone, nine notices have been sent to this project's List Server. There have been three Avenal news releases sent to the News Release List Server in 2009.

The hard copy of the Avenal workshop notice was mailed to Greenaction by the Commission's Siting Division on June 10th via the US Postal Service. Greenaction has been on the Avenal mailing list since Anna Martinez began her work on this proceeding on behalf of Greenaction.

I hope that this additional information assists you.

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>>> "Bradley Angel" <bradley@greenaction.org> 6/18/2009 6:03 PM >>>
To the California Energy Commission:

On behalf of our hundreds of constituents in Avenal and Kettleman City who would be directly harmed by the proposed Avenal Energy power plant, we object to the inadequate notice and scheduled workshop you announced this afternoon. It appears that the CEC truly does not want the public to attend, and your process is on its face one of environmental injustice and racism.

Sending out a notice on the afternoon of Thursday, June 18 for an important workshop scheduled 3 business days later is not acceptable as it is not adequate notice.

In addition, your failure to provide notice to residents is also unacceptable and a violation of your obligation to comply with environmental justice mandates.

In addition, scheduling a workshop for the public in the middle of the work day when most people cannot attend also is not real public participation.

We call on the CEC to reschedule this workshop, and provide adequate and meaningful notice and set the workshop at a time that most people can attend.

Bradley Angel
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-----Original Message-----

From: Energy Commission [<mailto:listenergia@listserver.energy.ca.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2009 2:40 PM
To: NEWSRELEASES@LISTSERVER.ENERGY.CA.GOV
Subject: NEWSRELEASES-LIST: Workshop on the Final Staff Assessment for the Avenal Energy project to be held June 23rd

For Immediate Release: : June 18, 2009
Media Contact: Percy Della - 916-654-4989

MEDIA ADVISORY

Attention Editors:

Workshop on the Final Staff Assessment
for the Avenal Energy project to be held June 23rd

Who: The staff of the California Energy Commission will hold a public workshop on the final staff assessment (FSA) of the planned Avenal Energy project in Kings County. The public and all interested parties are invited to participate.

