

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

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE STIRLING ENERGY SYSTEMS — SOLAR ONE POWER PLANT PROJECT

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REVISED COMMITTEE SCHEDULING ORDER

On May 6, 2009, the Application for Certification (AFC) was deemed data adequate for the twelve-month review process prescribed in Public Resources Code, section 25540.6. The Committee conducted a public Informational Hearing on June 22, 2009, to discuss the schedule and other issues of concern and issued a Scheduling Order on July 29, 2009. The Committee conducted a Committee Conference on November 10, 2009 to consider the schedule in light of developments following the Informational Hearing. Following consideration of the parties' written statements and the discussion at the Committee Conference, we issue the attached Revised Committee Schedule.

We modified the order of events so that the Evidentiary Hearings will begin during the comment period on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement rather than a later time following the preparation of a Final EIS. This increases the likelihood of the final decisions of the Energy Commission and the Bureau of Land Management occurring at approximately the same time.

We may modify the schedule at any time upon either our own motion or that of a party. [Cal. Code Regs., tit. 20, § 1709.7(c).] The schedule retains periodic status reports, at an increased frequency, to determine whether case development is progressing satisfactorily, and to bring potential schedule delays or other relevant matters to our attention.

We remind the parties of the provisions of the July 29, 2009 Scheduling Order regarding the format of documents provided in electronic form and the ability of a party to opt-out of receiving paper copies of documents which are provided electronically. Those orders remain in effect.

Dated: November 24, 2009, at Sacramento, California.

JAMES D. BOYD

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REVISED COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

FOR THE STIRLING ENERGY SYSTEMS -- SOLAR ONE POWER PLANT PROJECT (08-AFC-13)

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DATE	EVENT - Related BLM Actions are Shown for Convenience
May 6, 2009	AFC Data Adequate
June 8, 2009	BLM publishes Notice of Intention in Federal Register, beginning 45-day scoping period
June 22, 2009	Site Visit and Informational Hearing/ BLM scoping meeting
October 22, 2009	BLM and Energy Commission staff file Data Requests Set 2, Part 1
November 6, 2009	BLM and Energy Commission staff file Data Requests Set 2, Part 2
November 10, 2009	Committee Conference
November 22, 2009	Applicant files responses to BLM and Energy Commission staff Data Requests Set 2, Part 1
December 15, 2009	Final Data Responses/Reports from Applicant to staff for review
December 17, 2009 and every four (4) weeks thereafter until the SA/DEIS is filed	Parties file Status Reports
February 16, 2010	Staff publishes Staff Assessment/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SA/DEIS) / BLM Notice of Availability (NOA) of DEIS published
February 16, 2010	Formal consultation with US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on Biological Assessment initiated, beginning 135-day consultation period
SA/DEIS + 2 - 3 weeks (March 1 - 9, 2010)	Staff conducts SA workshops/DEIS public meetings
SA/DEIS + 4 weeks (March 15, 2010)	Applicant's opening testimony filed and served; all parties file Prehearing Conference statements
SA/DEIS + 5 weeks (March 22, 2010)	Prehearing Conference
SA/DEIS + 6 weeks (March 29, 2010)	Staff and other parties file and serve opening testimony (other than SA/DEIS)
SA/DEIS + 7 weeks (April 5, 2010)	All parties file rebuttal testimony
SA/DEIS + 7 weeks (April 7, 2010)	Final Prehearing Conference
SA/DEIS + 8 weeks (April 12, 2010)	Evidentiary Hearings (Record remains open to receive evidence following conclusion of DEIS comment period and USFWS determination)
3 weeks after Evidentiary Hearings complete (May 5, 2010)	Post Hearing Briefs filed
90 days after NOA published (May 17, 2010)	DEIS comment period ends
135 days after consultation initiated (June 30, 2010)	US Fish and Wildlife Service issues Biological Opinion

COMMITTEE SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)

DATE	EVENT - Related BLM Actions are Shown for Convenience
2 weeks after Biological Opinion issued (July 14, 2010)	Staff publishes Supplemental Staff Assessment/Final Environmental Impact Statement (SSA/FEIS) / BLM Notice of Availability (NOA) of FEIS published
2 weeks after SSA published (July 28, 2010)	Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD) issued for 30-day comment period
Approx. 25 days after PMPD issued	PMPD comment hearing
35 days after PMPD issued (September 1, 2010)	Revised PMPD issued* for 15-day (30 days if significant environmental information added) review period*
20 – 35 days after Revised PMPD issued (September 22 or October 6, 2010)	Energy Commission Final Decision Adoption Hearing
(September 30, 2010)	BLM issues Record of Decision, Right of Way grant and Plan Amendment

^{*} if necessary

Dates in (parenthesis) assume that the SA/DEIS is published as specified. If publication is delayed, the remaining dates may be commensurately delayed.

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, RoseMary Avalos, declare that on November 24, 2009, I served and filed copies of the attached, Revised Committee Scheduling Order, dated, November 24, 2009. 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/solarone].

The documents have 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:

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	<u>Original Signed By:</u> RoseMary Avalos