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REQUEST FOR AGENCY PARTICIPATION IN THE REVIEW OF THE BEACON SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT, APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION (08-AFC-2) SUPPLEMENT (VOLUME 3 – DATA ADEQUACY SUPPLEMENT)

On April 21, 2008, the California Energy Commission received a supplement to the Beacon Solar Energy Project’s Application for Certification (AFC). This supplemental filing (Volume 3 – Data Adequacy Supplement) should be added to the original AFC provided to you on March 27, 2008.

The proposed project is a concentrated solar electric generating facility proposed on an approximately 2,012-acre site in eastern Kern County, California. The project is located approximately four miles north-northwest of the northern boundary of California City. The project would use parabolic trough solar thermal technology to produce electrical power using a steam turbine generator fed from a solar steam generator. The solar steam generator receives heat transfer fluid from solar thermal equipment comprised of arrays of parabolic mirrors that collect energy from the sun. The project would have a nominal electrical output of 250 megawatts (MW).

Enclosed is a copy (CD) of the Beacon Solar Energy Project’s AFC supplemental filing (Volume 3 – Data Adequacy Supplement) in electronic format. If you would like to have a hard copy of the AFC supplement sent to you, if you have questions, or if you would like additional information on local agency reimbursement or on how to participate in the Energy Commission’s review of the proposed project, please contact Bill Pfanner, Project Manager, at (916) 654-4206, or by email at bpfanner@energy.state.ca.us. The status of the proposed project, copies of notices, 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/beacon. You can also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices at http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers.

Sincerely,

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