Memorandum

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Subject: MARSH LANDING GENERATING STATION (08-AFC-3) STATUS REPORT 5

Pursuant to the Committee Scheduling Order dated December 31, 2008, the following is staff’s Status Report #5 for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) Application for Certification (AFC).

Current Activities and AFC Supplemental

On September 17, 2009, Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC (applicant) filed a supplement to the MLGS AFC. The Supplement describes several changes to the proposed project, including switching the facility’s water source from Title 22 reclaimed water from Delta Diablo Sanitation District to on-site degraded groundwater. The revised MLGS AFC also modifies the initial combustion turbine configuration (two combined-cycle and two simple-cycle units) to four simple-cycle units producing 760 megawatts of electricity (down from initial nominal proposed output of 930 megawatts).

Staff anticipates receiving the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) for the MLGS AFC by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District in November, 2009. Staff will continue the review of both air quality and public health aspects of its analysis, which can be finalized following release of the PDOC.

A number of technical analyses will need to be updated to reflect project changes proposed in the recent Supplemental, including Waste Management and Water. Staff has scheduled an October 14, 2009 Data Response and Issues Resolution Workshop specifically organized to address Waste Management. Additionally, the Transmission System Engineering technical section of the MLGS staff assessment will require updating to reflect a new transmission cluster study recently provided by the applicant. There are a few other sections which will need to be appropriately updated, including Biological Resources, Facility Design, Land Use and Reliability prior to the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) publication.

As previously stated, staff will work diligently to complete all outstanding analyses, and will publish the PSA as soon as the PDOC is released and outstanding data requests, resolved.

Schedule

Because of ongoing delays and high work-load, the publication of the Marsh Landing Generating Station PSA will be, at a minimum, thirty (30) days following the PDOC’s release.
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FOR THE MARSH LANDING
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