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DOCUMENT HANDLING FOR THE REVISED STAFF ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED MARSH LANDING GENERATING STATION (08-AFC-3) and POSTING OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The enclosed Revised Staff Assessment (RSA) is a document being published by the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff. It contains staff’s engineering, public health and safety and environmental evaluation of the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station, to be located just north of the city of Antioch, along the San Joaquin River. Please make this RSA available for those who may wish to be informed about the project. We request that you not allow the RSA or any of its contents be removed from the library. To increase accessibility of the document, we ask, if possible, that you cross reference it as a general reference work under the title and author categories, as well as under such subjects as “Energy Commission,” “electricity energy/generation,” “power plant siting,” or any other relevant subject. Please retain the enclosed letter to the public behind the front cover of the RSA.

The Energy Commission’s siting process is open to the public and incorporates the input of the public as well as local, state and federal agencies. To facilitate public participation in our review process, the Energy Commission distributes copies of staff documents such as the RSA to public libraries in communities near the proposed project, and in major cities throughout the state. As such, please retain a copy of the enclosed Notice of Availability behind the front cover of the RSA and also post a copy of the Notice in a place conspicuous and accessible to those members of the general public who visit the library.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Monasmith, Senior Project Manager, at (916) 654-4894, or by email at mmonasmi@energy.state.ca.us, or Teraja Golston, Project Assistant, at (916) 651-8839, or by email at tgolston@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

ROGER JOHNSON, Siting Office Manager
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TO: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE REVISED STAFF ASSESSMENT FOR THE MARSH LANDING GENERATING STATION, APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION (08-AFC-3)

This notice is to inform you that the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) staff has prepared a Revised Staff Assessment (RSA) for the Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) Application for Certification (AFC). Additionally, this notice is to inform you of the availability of the RSA, which was published by the Energy Commission staff on June 10, 2010. The RSA contains the staff's engineering, public health, and environmental evaluation of the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station.

Staff previously published a Staff Assessment for the MLGS project on April 26, 2010 for a 30 day comment and review period. This Revised Staff Assessment (RSA) has been prepared based upon discussions at the Staff Assessment workshops and written comments provided by the applicant, agencies and public.

The Energy Commission encourages public and agency participation in the review of staff’s RSA. The RSA is available for public review at the following site: http://www.energy.ca.gov/2010publications/CEC-700-2010-010/CEC-700-2010-010_REV.PDF The RSA contains responses to written comments provided on the MLGS Staff Assessment (SA), which was published by staff on April 26, 2010. A 30-day comment period for the SA concluded on May 26, 2010. The MLGS project is scheduled for evidentiary hearings before the Energy Commission committee on July 1, 2010. A separate notice for these hearings was sent on May 26, 2010: http://energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/notices/2010-07-01_PHC_EH_notice.pdf

The RSA will serve as Energy Commission staff’s testimony during evidentiary hearings held by the Energy Commission. The Energy Commission Committee assigned to the MLGS proceedings will consider and weigh the testimony and or comments and or recommendations of all interested parties, including Energy Commission staff, the applicant, intervenors, public, and other local, state, and federal agencies, before issuing the Presiding Member’s Proposed Decision (PMPD) for consideration by the full Energy Commission. The public, intervenors, local, state and federal agencies are encouraged to participate in these hearings. The Energy Commission will issue notices at least ten days prior to any scheduled hearings.
SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED MARSH LANDING GENERATING STATION

The RSA contains the Energy Commission staff’s evaluation of the MLGS. The proposed 760-megawatt (MW) MLGS electric generating plant and related facilities are under the Energy Commission’s licensing jurisdiction and cannot be constructed or operated without the Energy Commission’s certification. The RSA contains analyses similar to those normally contained in an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). When issuing a license, the Energy Commission is the lead state agency under CEQA, and its process is functionally equivalent to the preparation of an EIR.

The Energy Commission staff has the responsibility to complete an independent assessment of the project’s engineering design and its potential effects on the environment, the public’s health and safety, and whether the project conforms to all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and standards (LORS). The staff also recommends measures to mitigate potential significant adverse environmental effects and conditions of certification for construction, operation and eventual closure of the project, if approved by the Energy Commission.

This RSA is not the decision document for these proceedings, nor does it contain findings of the Energy Commission related to environmental impacts or the project’s compliance with local/state/federal legal requirements. The RSA serves as staff’s official, sworn testimony in evidentiary hearings to be held by the Committee assigned to this proceeding, comprised of two Commissioners and a Hearing Officer. After evidentiary hearings, the Committee will consider testimony and comments presented by staff, the applicant, other parties to the proceeding, governmental agencies and the public – all aspects that comprise the official record of this proceeding -- and issue a Presiding Member’s Proposed Decision (PMPD). Following a public hearing, the full five-member Energy Commission will make its final decision on this power plant application based upon the PMPD, comments by parties to the proceeding and input from members of the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Please direct your technical or project schedule questions to Mike Monasmith, Energy Commission Senior Project Manager, at (916) 654-4894, or by e-mail at mike.monasmith@energy.state.ca.us. If you desire information on participating in the Energy Commission’s review of the project, please contact the Energy Commission’s Public Adviser’s Office, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free in California, at (800) 822-6228. The Public Adviser’s Office can also be contacted via email at pao@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the media office at (916) 654-4989 or via email at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

The status of the proposed project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, SA and RSA, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission’s web site: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding.
You can also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices and announcements at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers. By being on this email list, you will receive all project-related notices and documents pertaining to the project’s evaluation and review.

If you have any questions related to the automatic email notification list, please contact Teraja Golston, Project Assistant, at (916) 651-8839, or by email at: tgoslon@energy.state.ca.us.

The SA and RSA are available at the following local libraries:

Antioch Library Oakley Library Pittsburg Library
501 W. 18th Street 1050 Neroly Road 80 Power Avenue
Antioch, CA Oakley, CA Pittsburg, CA

Copies of the SA and RSA are also available at the Energy Commission’s Library in Sacramento, the California State Library in Sacramento, and at California public libraries in Eureka, Fresno, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego. In addition, copies will be distributed to those public agencies that would normally have jurisdiction except for the Energy Commission’s exclusive authority to certify sites and related facilities.

Sincerely,

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Roger Johnson, Office Manager
Energy Facilities Siting Office

cc:Dockets
Proof of Service (08-AFC-3)

Note: Please retain a copy of this Public Notice behind the front cover of the Revised Staff Assessment and post a copy of the Public Notice in a place conspicuous and accessible to those members of the general public who visit the library. Thank You.
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE MARSH LANDING
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I, Teraja Golston, declare that on June 21, 2010, I mailed hard copies of the attached Marsh Landing (08-AFC-3) – Library Letter Regarding Notice of Availability of the Revised Staff Assessment. 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: [http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/index.html].

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

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