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NOTICE OF DECISION by the CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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Subject:

Filing of Notice of Decision in compliance with Public Resources Code section 21080.5

and Title 20, California Code of Regulations, section 1768

Project Name: Pio Pico Energy Center

Energy Commission Docket Number: 11-AFC-1C

Energy Commission Contact Person: Dale Rundquist Phone #: (916) 651-2072

Project Location: San Diego County, California

Project Description: Pio Pico Energy Center (PPEC) is a simple-cycle, natural gas-fired, 300-megawatt facility that was certified by the Energy Commission in its Decision on September 12, 2012. Construction is approximately 48 percent complete. The project site is adjacent to the Otay Mesa Energy Center, an existing natural gas-fired power plant, in an unincorporated area of San Diego County, California.

Modification Description: The change to the PPEC certification would be limited to the proposed approximate ten percent increase in hourly heat input. This increase is a result of improved operational confidence and machine tuning rather than major changes to the General Electric LMS100 natural gas-fired combustion turbine generators. The increase in velocity and temperature of the plumes of the exhaust stacks is mitigated by revised conditions of certification citing Federal Aviation Administration aviation hazard notifications.

On February 10, 2016, the California Energy Commission approved the above-described project change pursuant to a regulatory program certified by the California Secretary of Resources under section 21080.5 of the California Public Resources Code, finding that:

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment;
- 2. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the project;
- 3. The project is in compliance with all laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards; and
- 4. A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for the project.

The Commission's docket files containing the Energy Commission's Final Decision and other information regarding the project are open to the public at: California Energy Commission, 1516 9th Street, Sacramento, California, 95814. This information is also available on the Energy Commission's project web site—http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/piopico/.

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