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**NOTICE OF RECEIPT
PETITION TO
EXTEND THE LICENSE DEADLINE
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HUNTINGTON BEACH GENERATING STATION UNITS 3 & 4 (00-AFC-13C)

On March 2, 2010, AES Huntington Beach, LLC (AES) filed a petition with the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) requesting to extend the certification deadline for the Huntington Beach Generating Station Units 3 & 4 Retool Project (HBGS). This petition proposes to extend the deadline of the current 10-year license from September 30, 2011 to December 31, 2020.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The HBGS is surrounded by industrial, commercial, residential, wetlands, and the Pacific Coast Highway and beaches in the City of Huntington Beach, Orange County, California. Units 3 & 4, with a total output of 450-megawatts, were certified by the Energy Commission on May 10, 2001 in an expedited process pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order D-22-01 for a limited time of 10-years. Due to the expedited nature of the permitting process for the HBGS, the Energy Commission established an expiration date of September 30, 2011. Units 3 & 4 began commercial operation in January and August, 2003. As a requirement for the 10-year license, AES was required to show compliance with all conditions of certification and all other permits as well as implementation of environmental mitigation measures within the first five years of the license. AES was also required to perform certain post-licensing studies, including a one-year study of the entrainment and impingement impacts of operating the once-through cooling system and the funding of a \$5.5 million wetland restoration project to fully mitigate for the expected entrainment and impingement impacts related to the on-going operation of Units 3 & 4.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED REQUEST

The petition requests the following:

Energy Commission approval to extend the limited 10-year certification deadline an additional 10 years, from September 30, 2009 to December 31, 2020 to enable AES to continue operating Units 3 & 4 while it plans for, permits, finances and constructs replacement infrastructure that does not rely on once through cooling.

ENERGY COMMISSION REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality, public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and, if the project, as modified, will remain in compliance with

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applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the request and will publish an analysis in the near future. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment proposal will be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

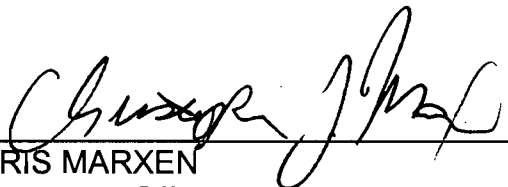
This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent to the project site who may want to participate in the amendment process.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/huntingtonbeach/compliance/index.html>. The staff analysis (when published), will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition and/or staff's analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Mary Dyas, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 651-8891, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: mdyas@energy.state.ca.us within 14 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

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Enclosure: Information Request Form

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INFORMATION REQUEST FORM

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMMISSION DECISION TO EXTEND THE LIMITED 10-YEAR PROJECT LICENSE.

PLEASE CHECK THE DOCUMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE:

- PETITION TO AMEND
- STAFF ANALYSIS
- COMMISSION ORDER

PROJECT: HUNTINGTON BEACH GENERATING STATION UNITS 3 & 4 RETOOL PROJECT

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