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**NOTICE OF ENERGY COMMISSION STAFF
PRELIMINARY STAFF ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP
FOR THE WATSON COGENERATION STEAM AND ELECTRIC RELIABILITY
PROJECT (09-AFC-1)**

The California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop for the proposed Watson Cogeneration Steam and Electric Reliability (BP Watson) project to discuss the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) and to work towards resolving issues. All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate.

The workshop will be held:

**Tuesday, January 25, 2011
Starting at 3:00 pm**

**Carson Community Center
801 East Carson Street
Room 111
Carson, CA 90745
(Wheelchair Accessible)
(Map Attached)**

**To participate in the meeting by telephone,
Please call: 1-877-973-6327, Participant Passcode: 8045328**

Purpose

The purpose of the workshop is to allow staff, the applicant, interested agencies, and the public to discuss the Preliminary Staff Assessment published on December 17, 2010. The Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) contains the California Energy Commission staff's independent evaluation of the Watson Cogeneration Steam and Electric Reliability (BP Watson) Project Application for Certification (09-AFC-1). The PSA examines engineering, environmental, public health and safety aspects of the BP Watson project, based on the information provided by the applicant, Watson Cogeneration Company (Watson) and other sources available at the time the PSA was prepared. The PSA 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. As stated in the PSA, staff believes that as currently proposed, including the applicant's and the staff's proposed mitigation measures and the staff's proposed conditions of

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certification, the BP Watson project would comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and standards (LORS). For a more detailed review of potential impacts and LORS conformance, please see the PSA.

Project Description

On March 19, 2009, Watson Cogeneration Company filed an Application for Certification with the Energy Commission for the addition of 85 megawatts (MWs) of generation capacity to the existing Watson Cogeneration facility within the confines of the BP Carson Refinery. The existing facility has four General Electric (GE) 7EA combustion turbine generators (CTG), four heat recovery steam generators (HRSG) and two steam turbine generators (STG). In operation since 1988, the existing cogeneration facility is owned by Watson Cogeneration Company and operated by BP West Coast Products, LLC – BP Carson Refinery. The BP Watson project is a joint partnership between subsidiaries of BP America and Edison Mission Energy. Since the project consists of adding a fifth CTG/HRSG to the existing configuration, it is also referred to as the “fifth train.” This fifth train would increase the existing capacity of the 385-megawatt (MW) Watson Cogeneration Facility by approximately 85 MW to a total output of 470 MW.

The project site is located within the boundary of the existing Watson Cogeneration Facility, which is a 21.7-acre area and is part of a larger parcel containing the BP Carson Refinery. The project site is located in the City of Carson, approximately 0.7 mile south of the 405 Freeway, roughly bounded by East 223rd Street to the north, Wilmington Avenue to the west, East Sepulveda Boulevard to the south, and South Alameda Street to the east. The construction laydown and parking area is a paved 25-acre parcel located approximately 1 mile southeast of the project site at 2149 East Sepulveda Boulevard.

California Energy Commission Licensing Authority

The Energy Commission is responsible for reviewing and ultimately approving or denying all applications for construction and operation of thermal electric power plants, 50 MW and greater, proposed for construction in California. The Energy Commission's facility certification process carefully examines public health and safety, environmental impacts and engineering aspects of proposed power plants, and all related facilities such as electric transmission lines and natural gas and water pipelines. The Energy Commission is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and because the siting process is a certified regulatory program, the commission produces several environmental and decision documents rather than an Environmental Impact Report.

Public Participation

If you desire information about participating in the Energy Commission's review of the proposed project, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser by telephone

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at (916) 654-4701 or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by email at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. Technical or project schedule questions should be directed to Alan Solomon, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 653-8236, or by email at asolomon@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to (916) 654-4989, or by email at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

To request special accommodations for those persons with disabilities, please contact Lourdes Quiroz, the Energy Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity Officer at lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us or by telephone at (916) 654-5146. For those persons with limited English knowledge, request interpreter services by contacting the Project Manager at least 5 days in advance of the workshop.

The status of the project, copies of notices, the PSA, and other relevant documents are available on the Energy Commission's web site

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/watson/index.html>

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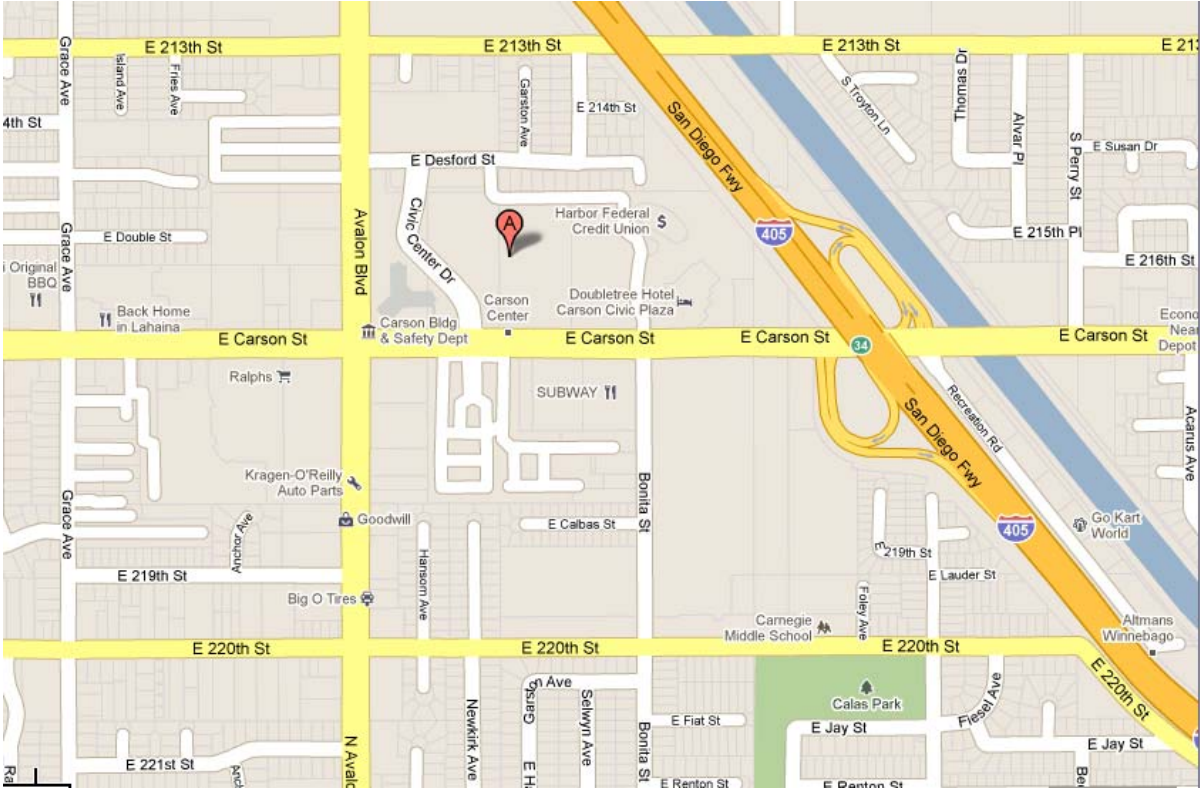
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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE **WATSON COGENERATION
STEAM AND ELECTRICITY RELIABILITY
PROJECT**

Docket No. 09-AFC-1

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Teraja` Golston, declare that on January 6, 2011, I served and filed copies of the attached (09-AFC-1) BP Watson – Notice of Energy Commission Staff Preliminary Staff Assessment Workshop, dated January 6, 2011. 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:
[\[http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/watson\]](http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/watson).

The documents have been sent to both the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit, in the following manner:

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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.

Original Signature in Dockets
Teraja` Golston