

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission

In the Matter of:)
)
 Application for Certification For the)
 Almond 2 Power Plant)
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Docket No. 09-AFC-2

ALMOND 2 POWER PLANT STATUS REPORT #3

This is the third monthly Status Report for the Almond 2 Power Plant (“A2PP”) project filed by the Turlock Irrigation District (the “District”). The Status Report is being submitted in compliance with the Committee Scheduling Order issued on August 10, 2009, which requested that the parties file monthly status reports to inform the Committee on the progress of the case. This Status Report provides a summary of project licensing activities for the period October 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009.

On behalf of the District’s ratepayer-owners, the District wants to thank the Commissioners and the Staff for diligently pursuing this Application for Certification (“AFC”). The A2PP project is the keystone in an integrated resource plan that will allow the District to achieve a twenty-eight percent (28%) Renewable Portfolio Standard (“RPS”).

Responses to Staff Data Requests and Queries

Table 1 below, provides a summary of the responses to Staff Data Requests and Queries that have been docketed to date.

Table 1 – Responses to Staff Data Requests and Queries

Document Docketed	Date Docketed
Response to Staff Email Query 1(Traffic and Transportation)	July 13, 2009

Document Docketed	Date Docketed
Data Response Set 1A, Responses to CEC Staff Data Requests 1 through 84 (Air Quality, Cultural Resources, Hazardous Materials, Public Health, Soil and Water Resources, Traffic and Transportation, Transmission System Engineering, Waste Mgmt., and Worker Safety and Fire Protection); and Staff Query 1(Visual)	September 14, 2009
Data Response Set 1B (DR-19, Cultural Resources) and Workshop Queries 1-6 (Traffic and Transportation, Air Quality, and Water Resources)	October 12, 2009
Responses to Staff Queries 2 and 3 (Air Quality and Visual)	October 22, 2009
Responses to Data Requests Set 1C (DR-61b and DR-68 Water Resources and DR-72 Transmission System Engineering)	October 30, 2009

Data Requests Requiring Additional Time to Respond

On September 2, 2009, the District filed a letter requesting additional time to respond to certain Data Requests. Several of the Data Requests pertained to the gas pipeline, the final route, which as indicated in the AFC and subsequent filings, PG&E has been evaluating. These DRs include DR 18 Cultural Resources and DRs 77-79 Waste Management. PG&E has now selected an alignment that is the Preferred Route for natural gas service for the A2PP. The Preferred Route includes features that reinforce and improve PG&E's gas system. The District is now preparing an analysis of the Preferred Route, which includes responses to Data Requests 18 and 77-79. The District will submit the analysis to the CEC in November.

CURE Data Requests

On October 14, 2009, CURE filed Data Requests 1-106. The District's objections to some of the Data Requests will be filed on November 3, 2009, but the District intends to reserve the right to respond to some of the Data Requests to which it objects. Responses to the Data Requests for which the District is not objecting will be filed on November 16.

SJVAPCD – Preliminary Determination of Compliance

The Turlock Irrigation District has been informed by the San Joaquin Air Pollution Control District ("SJVAPCD") that the Preliminary Determination of Compliance will likely be issued by the middle of November.

CONCLUSION

The District appreciates the work of the Staff in moving the project forward. At this time, the District believes the proceeding is moving forward on schedule to allow this important project to come on line in support of the District's RPS goals.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 2, 2009

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Karen A. Mitchell, declare that on November 2, 2009 I served copies of the attached *Almond 2 Power Plant Status Report No. 3* by email and U.S. Mail to each party on the attached service list.

I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



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