STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission

In the Matter of:

Application for Certification for the TID Almond 2 Power Plant Project

Docket No. 09-AFC-2

ALMOND 2 POWER PLANT STATUS REPORT #12

This is the twelfth monthly Status Report for the Almond 2 Power Plant ("A2PP") project filed by the Turlock Irrigation District (the "District"). The District submits this Status Report in compliance with the Committee Scheduling Order issued on August 10, 2009. This Status Report provides a summary of project licensing activities for the period July 1, 2010 through July 31, 2010.

The District sincerely appreciates the Staff’s efforts in publicizing the Revised Staff Assessment on July 30, 2010. The District is anxious to move this project forward. Assuming the A2PP is licensed, the District intends to begin construction immediately after the project is approved. To that end, it is actively preparing compliance submittals (at its risk). In addition to the long-term direct and indirect economic benefits associated with A2PP operations, the construction of the project will, in the near-term, directly create one hundred forty-nine (149) construction workers jobs at peak, with an estimated $7.5 million in construction payroll.

On a procedural matter, the District believes that the Marsh Landing project offers a foundation for timely processing of the remainder of the A2PP proceeding. The attorneys for Staff and the District have discussed preliminarily, and the District will want to pursue, this procedural matter once it has completed its review of the Revised Staff Assessment.
Applicant Filings

On July 2, 2010, the District filed a technical memorandum describing the habitat along a parcel of land paralleled by the natural gas pipeline.

Conclusion

Approval of A2PP in the early fall of 2010 is critical both to satisfying the District’s reliability obligations as a Balancing Authority and for allowing the District to integrate the intermittent renewables resources that make up the District’s 28% renewable resources portfolio. The release of the Staff Assessment enables this important project to move forward in support of the District’s RPS and GHG reduction goals.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 2, 2010

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Karen A. Mitchell, declare that on August 2, 2010 I served copies of the attached
Almond 2 Power Plant Status Report #12 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.

Karen A. Mitchell
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