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DOCUMENT HANDLING FOR THE MARIPOSA ENERGY PROJECT (09-AFC-3)

On June 15, 2009, the California Energy Commission received an Application for Certification (AFC) from Mariposa Energy, LLC to construct and operate the Mariposa Energy Project (MEP). MEP is a proposed 200-megawatt (MW) natural-gas fired, simple-cycle electrical generating facility. MEP is proposed for a 10-acre parcel in an unincorporated area in northeast Alameda County. If approved, project construction would begin in April 2011, with commercial operation commencing in July 2012.

The project is under the Energy Commission’s siting authority. The power plant certification process examines engineering, public health and safety, and environmental aspects of power plant proposals and provides analyses pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). When issuing a certificate, the Energy Commission is the lead state agency under CEQA, and its process is functionally equivalent to the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

The Energy Commission’s siting process is open to the public and incorporates the input of the public as well as local, state, and federal agencies. To facilitate public participation in our review process, the Energy Commission has sent copies of the AFC to libraries in the project area, and to libraries in Eureka, San Francisco, Sacramento, Fresno, Los Angeles, and San Diego.

Please make the enclosed AFC available for those who may wish to be informed about the project. We request that you not allow the AFC or any of its contents be removed from the library. To increase accessibility of the document, we ask, if possible, that you cross reference it as a general reference work under the title and author categories, as well as under such subjects as “Energy Commission,” “electricity,” “energy/generation,” “power plant siting,” or any other relevant subject.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Alan Solomon, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 653-8236, or by email at asolomon@energy.state.ca.us or Mineka Foggie, Project Secretary, at (916) 653-1608, or by email at mfoggie@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure