

#### California Energy Commission Informational Hearing

October 1, 2009

#### Mariposa Energy Project Presentation Summary

- Ownership structure
- Design features
- Project justification
- Site selection process



Environmental impacts

#### Mariposa Energy Project Ownership

- Owned by Mariposa Energy LLC
- Subsidiary of Diamond Generating Corporation
- DGC is a subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation
- DGC headquartered in Los Angeles, CA
- DGC owns/operates 9 power plants in the US, with about 2,000 MW of net equity
- DGC owns 2 other peaking projects in CA
- DGC developing both renewable and gas-fired projects



#### Larkspur Energy: Another DGC Project Similar to Mariposa, in San Diego



#### Mariposa Energy Project Design Features

194 MW (net) natural gas peaking project



4 GE LM6000 PC-Sprint combustion turbine generators and associated equipment



Water usage minimized by use of dry cooling and wastewater recycling



BACT for NOx and CO control

#### Mariposa Energy Project Laterals Are Minimized

New 0.7-mile 230-kV transmission line from MEP to PG&E's Kelso Substation

580-foot 4-inch gas pipeline connecting to PG&E Line 2, located within the parcel



New 1.8-mile 6-inch water supply line from Byron Bethany Irrigation District

#### **Need for Peaking Power in Region**

- Peaking plants like Mariposa support installation of renewables and ensure integrity of transmission system
- Peakers are designed to provide capacity and ancillary services, rather than baseload energy
- Quick-start (<10 min start) needed to smooth load when wind dies down or demand surges
- Provides energy during super-peak periods
- Helps utility meet reserve margin requirements economically and efficiently
- Provides energy during emergencies

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#### Energy Action Plan – 2003-2006

05/03	Energy Action Plan adopted by CPUC and CEC	
04/04	CPUC orders investor-owned utilities to file resource plans that implement EAP	
12/04	CPUC approves PG&E's Long-Term Procurement Plan, which includes adding 2,200 MW of peaking power through 2010 concurrently with renewables	
11/06	CPUC approves 3 PG&E PPAs with peaking projects, among others	
	4 plants subsequently not built Need remains unmet	

#### Regulatory Chronology of PPA Between Mariposa Energy and PG&E

09/05	Energy Action Plan II adopted by CPUC and CEC	
12/07	CPUC approves PG&E LTPP for 2007-16 to procure up to 1,200 MW of additional new resources, including:	
	"DISPATCHABLE RAMPING RESOURCES THAT CAN BE USED TO ADJUST FOR THE MORNING AND EVENING RAMPS CREATED BY THE INTERMITTENT TYPES OF RENEWABLE RESOURCES."	
04/08	PG&E issues 2008 Long Term Request for Offers to obtain up to 1,200 MW of new, dispatchable, and operationally flexible resources	
10/08	Mariposa Energy Project is shortlisted	
04/09	Contract signed, submitted to CPUC for approval	

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### Rationale for Mariposa in PG&E's Application 09-04-001 for Approval

- CPUC concluded PG&E needs 800-1,200 MW of new flexible, dispatchable resources by 2015
- MEP, as a dispatchable and operationally flexible resource, critical to meet load variations and integrate intermittent resources into PG&E portfolio



Necessary to maintain 17% Planning Reserve Margin (PRM), especially given 4 unbuilt plants

#### Mariposa Energy Site Selection Process

Identify electrical system · locations indicating a need for reinforcement within PG&E's service area

Identify sites that minimize laterals, have appropriate zoning

Then, address other environmental issues

Select Site



#### The Greater Bay Area is a Load Pocket



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#### Mariposa Energy Project Chosen Site Best Met All Criteria

#### In Greater Bay Area Load Pocket

#### In Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area

 Proximity to intermittent renewable energy, wind to the south and west, potential solar to the east

#### Shortest laterals for interconnections

- Best met environmental criteria
- Not near, nor visible from densely populated areas
- Site already disturbed site cogen, abandoned wind farm
- Land use compatible with existing utility and water infrastructure in the area

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#### Project Location Within the Local Area and Existing Infrastructure Facilities



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#### **Mariposa Energy Project Location**



#### Map of Key Observation Points



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#### Key Observation Point 1 Current View





#### Key Observation Point 1 Simulated View





#### Key Observation Point 2 Current View





#### Key Observation Point 2 Simulated View





#### Key Observation Point 3 Current View





#### Key Observation Point 3 Simulated View





#### Key Observation Point 4 Current View





#### Key Observation Point 4 Simulated View





#### Key Observation Point 5 Current View





#### Key Observation Point 5 Simulated View



#### Mariposa Has No Significant Unmitigated Environmental Impacts

Minimized visual and noise impacts



- Minimal water usage
- Zero liquid discharge
- Compatible land use



Maximized open space and agricultural preservation

#### Mariposa Has No Significant Unmitigated Environmental Impacts

- No significant air quality impacts
- Minimized hazard materials use and storage
- Minimal use of local services
  - No growth inducing effects



Minimized construction and operational traffic

#### Mariposa Affords the Region Many Socio Economic Benefits

#### During construction (2011-2012)

- \$12 million of local purchases
- \$16.3 million of construction payroll, of which \$14.7 million will remain in the area
- Average of 89, peak of 177 direct jobs
- 229 indirect and induced jobs created

#### During operations (2012-2050)

- Annual local spending on payroll, materials, and supplies of \$2.47 million
- 8 direct jobs created
- 12 indirect and induced jobs created
- Approximately \$2.5 million of property taxes annually

#### Mariposa Energy Project Resources

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