April 20, 2010

Irene Zwierlein
Chairperson, Amah/Mutsun Tribal Band
789 Canada Road
Woodside, CA 94062

PROPOSED NEW POWER PLANT, ALAMEDA COUNTY

Dear Ms. Zwierlein,

Your name was provided to the California Energy Commission by the Native American Heritage Commission as a representative of a Native American community who might be interested in the proposed construction and operation of a natural-gas-fired power plant in Alameda County (see attached maps).

The Energy Commission has jurisdiction over the proposed project and has received an application for a permit to build and operate the power plant, known as the Mariposa Energy Project. You will receive, if you have not already received, specific information about the proposed power plant from the project applicant. Information about the project can also be viewed on the Energy Commission website at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/mariposa/index.html

Please review the information you receive from the project applicant, and if you have concerns regarding cultural resources that could potentially be affected by the proposed power plant and related facilities, please contact cultural resources specialist Sarah M. Allred (Phone: 916-654-5008; Fax: (916) 651-8868; E-mail: sallred@energy.state.ca.us). You may also call the Energy Commission’s Public Adviser, toll-free at 1-800-822-6228, for additional assistance in participating in the Commission’s review of the proposed project.

The Energy Commission cultural resources staff welcomes your comments. Over the coming months, the Energy Commission will also be holding workshops and hearings on the project and our preliminary assessment. You should expect notices concerning the dates, locations, and topics to be covered at these workshops and hearings.

Sincerely,

Original signed by R. York for

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Siting, Transmission, and Environmental Protection Division

cc: Energy Commission Dockets; Craig Hoffman, Siting Project Manager