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Steve De Young
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Oakland, CA 94612

SUBJECT: IVANPAH SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM (07-AFC-5C)

AUTHORIZATION TO START CONSTRUCTION

Dear Mr. De Young:

The Energy Commission staff has completed its review of the pre-construction conditions of certification submittals for the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System (Ivanpah) and has determined that construction may commence as of October 8, 2010 provided that the Bureau of Land Management's Authorized Officer has issued a Notice to Proceed to the project owner authorizing construction.

The Commission will work closely with BrightSource Energy to ensure conformance with all conditions of certification. Lack of conformance may result in suspension of construction activities.

If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 653-4677 or e-mail me at Jdouglas@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Douglas".

Joseph Douglas
Compliance Project Manager

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