

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission

In the Matter of:)
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 Application for Certification for the)
 Mariposa Energy Project)
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Docket No. 09-AFC-03

MARIPOSA ENERGY PROJECT STATUS REPORT #1

This is the first monthly Status Report for the Mariposa Energy Project (“MEP”) project filed by Mariposa Energy, LLC (“Mariposa Energy”). Mariposa Energy submits this Status Report in compliance with the Committee Scheduling Order issued on October 30, 2009. This Status Report provides a summary of recent licensing activities through January 31, 2010.

BAAQMD Preliminary Determination of Compliance

On January 28, 2010, Mariposa Energy submitted a Permit Application Update to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD). This letter addressed reductions in the number of hours required for commissioning, the startup and shutdown emission rates, the CO and PM_{10/2.5} combustion turbine emission rates, and BAAQMD’s request for a Best Available Control Technology (BACT) analysis.

Data Response and Issues Resolution Workshop

Mariposa Energy has filed Data Response Set 1A and 1B on November 30, 2009 and participated in the Data Response Workshop on December 15, 2009. Mariposa Energy will be submitting follow-up responses to Staff follow-up questions for Data Response Set 1A and 1B on February 12, 2010; this submittal will include additional data pertaining to Air Quality, Cultural Resources, Soils and Water Resources, and Transmission Engineering. Additionally, Mariposa Energy is completing a detailed aviation analysis to supplement the prior response to DR 52, and a general environmental analysis for potential reconductoring activities indirectly associated with MEP

(DR 56). Mariposa Energy will submit responses to these two remaining Data Requests by March 8, 2010.

Possible Additional Site Visit?

Mariposa Energy firmly believes that the proposed project site is an ideal location for a power plant. The project site is on a parcel specifically selected to have minimal visual, noise, biological and transportation impacts. The benefits of this project location can best be appreciated by seeing them in person. Mariposa Energy believes that the Committee members would greatly benefit by undertaking a site visit. We would be pleased to work with the Hearing Officer to schedule a noticed site visit at any time convenient for the Committee. We do not believe that a second informational hearing would be necessary in conjunction with the site visit, but would have no objection to the scheduling of such a hearing as well.

Project Schedule

Staff has indicated in a February 2, 2010 Status Report that the targeted completion date for the Preliminary Staff Assessment will not be March 17, 2010, as set forth in the Committee's Scheduling Order. The Staff states that it is aiming for a publication date in late April 2010. While we understand the need to complete the review of certain renewable energy projects to qualify for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding, the Committee should take note that Mariposa Energy is also faces similar financial deadlines that require the Commission to issue the AFC license for this project in a timely manner. A six-week delay in issuance of the PSA, from March 17 to the end of April would still provide timely processing of this project consistent with the Power Purchase Agreement with Pacific Gas and Electric Company. However, if there appears now or in the future that any further slippage in the schedule is possible, the Applicant requests that the Committee immediately notice a scheduling conference to identify and resolve the cause of any further delays.

Dated February 8, 2009

CH2M HILL, Inc.

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