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SACRAMENTO, CA 95814-5512**DOCKET****08-AFC-13C**DATE MAR 25 2011RECD. MAR 25 2011

NOTICE OF RECEIPT
PETITION TO AMEND
THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION for the
CALICO SOLAR PROJECT (08-AFC-13C)

On March 22, 2011, Calico Solar, LLC filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the Calico Solar Project (CSP). The 663.5-megawatt project was certified by the Energy Commission on December 1, 2010. The proposed project will be constructed on an approximate 4,613-acre site located in San Bernardino County, California. The project site is approximately 37 miles east of Barstow, 17 miles east of Newberry Springs, 57 miles northeast of Victorville, and approximately 115 miles east of Los Angeles (straight line distances).

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The Calico Amendment does not propose to change the size, boundary, or generating capacity of the Energy Commission-approved project. It proposes a modification in the solar collector technology used on the site. The proposal would generate 100.5 megawatts of power using SunCatcher technology and 563 megawatts using single-axis tracker photovoltaic (PV) technology. Both the SunCatchers and the PV collectors will be fully integrated components of the power plant, operate from a single control room, utilize the same transmission interconnection system, access a common water system and road network, and depend upon the same construction and operation personnel.

The amendment proposes to alter the phasing of the project to reduce access issues associated with the northern portion of the site. Phase 1 will be located primarily south of the railroad line and will include the main access road, the main services complex, the on-site substation with a shorter transmission line interconnecting with the Pisgah Substation, a water well (located north of the railroad), a water line and a portion of PV solar collectors. Phase 2 will be located entirely north of the railroad and will include the remainder of the PV solar collectors and the SunCatchers. The SunCatchers will be located toward the center of Phase 2 to reduce the noise impacts on wildlife and the glint and glare concerns.

ENERGY COMMISSION AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality and public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and, if the project, as modified, will remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the request and will publish an analysis in the near future. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment proposal will be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent

to the project site who may want to participate in the amendment process.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/calicosolar/compliance/index.html>. The staff analysis, when published, will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition and/or staff's analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Craig Hoffman, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-4781, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: choffman@energy.state.ca.us within 14 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

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Calico Petitioner proposes to modify the solar collector technology used on the site to include a mixture of SunCatcher technology and single-axis tracker photovoltaic (PV) technology.

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- PETITION TO AMEND ON COMPACT DISK
- STAFF ANALYSIS
- COMMISSION ORDER

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