In the Matter of: Mariposa Energy Project

Docket # 09-AFC-03

Jass Sing's Rebuttal Testimony
Environmental Justice for Racial Minorities

Environmental Justice for Racial Minorities of Mountain House

Federal laws, guidelines & policies:
- EPA's 1998 EJ Guidance (provides details and guidance for implementing the federal EJ program)
- Executive Order #12898 of 1994 (established the federal EJ program)
- US Constitution (equal protection) Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act

CA laws, guidelines & policies:
- Government Code Section 65040.12 (defines EJ and designates the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) as coordinator for state EJ program)
- Government Code Section 65040.2 (requires the OPR to develop EJ guidelines for local General Plans)

Mountain House Community

Mariposa Energy LLC's proposed site is about 2.5 miles west of Mountain House Community. This is a new community facing tremendous economic challenges. Mountain House has been plagued with foreclosures and is epicenter of underwater mortgages. Mountain House master plan when fully implemented will have about 40,000 population. Today the community is at about 3000 to 3500 homes. However, majority of homes are facing foreclosure since 2008.

Mountain House community is a racial minority community with population distribution as follows:-

Census track 5203 for zip code 95391, where Mountain House falls within the zip code has human population distribution as follows:-
- Whites - 36%
- Blacks - 8%
- Hispanic - 28%
- Asians - 24%
- Other groups - 9%


Local data from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey, based on samples from 2005 to 2009.

It is very clear from the above census that Mountain House is a racial minority community with a population of 64% racial minorities compromising primarily of Blacks, Hispanic, Asians and other group.
Environment Injustice:
Mariposa Energy, LLC is taking advantage of this new yet to develop Mountain House Community where minorities are struggling in their foreclosures to keep their homes. Mariposa Energy, LLC and have denied my discovery/data request dated Jan 10, 2011. It clearly establishes that they are hiding the information.

Power Plant so close to troubled minority Mountain House Community is unjust and I request CEC and applicant for not creating environmental injustice, environmental discrimination for racial minorities and should not build power plant in the backyard of Mountain House community.

Pls. docket this document.

Date: Jan 21, 2011

[Signature]

X Proof of Service and Declaration of Service attached.
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
State Energy Resources
Conservation and Development Commission

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to best of my knowledge.

Jass Singh
Jan 21, 2011
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE MARIPOSA ENERGY PROJECT
(MEP)

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

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