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Timothy Higdon
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**SUBJECT: GENESIS SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT (09-AFC-8C)
AUTHORIZATION TO DRILL WELLS AND TEST BORINGS**

Dear Mr. Higdon:

The Energy Commission staff is currently in the process of completing its review of the pre-construction requirements for the Genesis Solar Energy Project and has determined that the drilling of wells 0, 1, and 2 and the additional test borings at multiple locations within the vicinity of Power Blocks 1 and 2 (as identified in the May 31, 2011 Water Well Location Plan Map) may commence as of June 13, 2011.

The LNTF covers only the temporary construction lighting for drilling three wells, 24 hours a day for approximately four months per the June 10, 2011 Common Well Drilling Equipment Layout Map. A Lighting Mitigation Plan is required for the permanent exterior lighting per Condition of Certification VIS-2.

Review of the pre-construction submittals will continue and you will be given a full notice to proceed for all other activities when all pre-construction submittals are approved as required by the conditions of certification. The Energy Commission will continue to work closely with NextEra Energy Resources to ensure conformance with all conditions of certification as written in the Energy Commission's Final Decision. Lack of conformance with any of the conditions of certification may result in suspension of construction activities.

If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 651-0587 or e-mail me at cmarxen@energy.state.ca.us.

Sincerely,

Christopher J. Marxen
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cc: Kevin W Bell, Senior Staff Counsel, Energy Commission